Francestown Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes Monday Dec 3, 2018

Members in attendance: Betsy Hardwick, Robin Haubrich, Don Crooker, Kelly Marshall, Pam Avery, James St. Jean

Meeting called to order at 7:07pm

Notices:

Hill Easement, Sleeper Mill Lane. The conservation commission received a copy of the DES shore lands application and copy of approved permit. No easement changes involved.

New Business:

Snow Dumping: Main St. Citizens are pushing for snow removal and dumping, one location being considered is the parking lots by the soccer field. This is one of the most logical town owned locations given the restrictions involved. The conservation commission must be consulted about any proposed location. One open issues is that any snow dumping location must have silt fences installed prior to ground freeze, which may not longer be possible this year.

Hill Easement Walk: Was mistakenly placed on the agenda, however the walk was conducted on Nov 25 by members of the commission.

Master Plan - Water Resources: The planning board voted to send out an RFP to get someone to update the plan.

Moulton Conservation Easement: Needs some attention but will be postponed until Jan or Feb due to schedules.

Mountain Maintenance: No further updates

Old Business:

Ongoing Easement Monitoring: Kelly walked a portion of the Shattuck Pond property and needs to complete the associated paperwork.

Road Run-off Problems: Some members completed their evaluation of different area of town, while others were not able to complete this before the snow. The due date for this will be the January meeting, if possible and conditions permit. This is to ensure there is time to evaluate the results and incorporate into any budget recommendations for town meeting in March.

Notebooks: Betsy is collecting some additional information to copy and add to the notebooks at the next meeting.

South New Boston Road Bridge: Town Council contacted the state AG about how to handle the easements to the existing easement. The state recommended that we find something of greater value to add to the existing easement to compensate for the impacts. This could be difficult because most of

the nearby land is already under some type of protection. One possibility might be the Wharton property, however other options are being evaluated.

Other Business:

There was a brief update on the Hoey application and plans which have not yet been received by the planning board.

The map link on the town website is broken, should be reported to Jamie.

Proposal to adjourn made by Kelly and seconded by Don.

Meeting adjourned at 8:09pm

Respectfully submitted, James St. Jean