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## **CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES-November 5, 2018**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

Members present: Betsy Hardwick, Pam Avery, Robin Haubrich, Kelly Marshall, Jim St. Jean, Don Crooker, Don Shuffleton, and Scot Heath.

Members of the public in attendance: None.

### **New Business:**

- 1) Richard Roberts came before the commission seeking permission to trap Beaver in the Shattuck Pond Town Forest and on the Cilley tract. Mr. Roberts presented pictures of various trees damaged by Beaver activity along the hiking trail, asserting they present a safety hazard. Discussion followed including typical beaver activity vs. nuisance beaver. Consensus was to not allow trapping.
- 2) Annual conservation easement monitoring-Notification letters to property owners to be prepared and mailed by Scot. Given the change in ownership and scheduled timber harvest, it was decided best to have multiple commission members conduct the inspection of the Tiede property (Hill easement). Said inspection was scheduled for November 25 at 1:00 pm, meet at the town offices.
- 3) Zoning/Master Plan-Water Resources-Conservation Overlay District within the Zoning Ordinance needs to be reviewed and revised. Greater coordination with the natural resource inventory/master plan is necessary. Some streams are currently left unprotected, and some provisions of the overlay districts are contradictory to each other. A sub-committee should be set up for this purpose and include a Planning Board member.
- 4) Moulton Conservation Easement-CC to receive CE from FLT on the Moulton property, as previously voted to accept. Betsy is to draft the CE, using the Monadnock Conservancy base CE document. Kelly and Scot to assist Betsy.
- 5) Review of new proposal from Mountain Maintenance Corp.-revised proposal calls for the Town to receive 3.857 acres of Map 7 Lot 5 in fee simple ownership in exchange for two small town owned parcels as indicated on a revised draft survey plan. While not a formal vote, the consensus was this would be acceptable to the CC.

### **Old Business:**

- 1) Road runoff issue-roads to be checked for runoff issues were divided up among CC members. Extent of runoff problem to be rated on a scale of 1 to 3, with 1 being extreme, 2 moderate, and 3 slight. CC will coordinate results and forward to Selectmen and Road Agent.

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Notices/Correspondence:

- 1) Joan Hanchett Nature Series, November 9, 6:30 pm, Town Hall
- 2) Letter received from Fuss & O'Neill regarding South New Boston Road bridge replacement.
- 3) Letter received from Meridian Land Services notifying us they have acquired the files and records of Bob Todd.
- 4) Letter received from DES regarding Sleeper Mill Farm, LLC (Tiede), seeking more information regarding shoreland protection act permit.
- 5) Letter received from Beasley & Furber, notifying us the CC is a beneficiary of the Frank Hanchett Revocable Trust.

Minutes:

Kelly moved to accept minutes of October 1, 2018, Pam second. Approved as amended.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Don Shuffleton, second by Robin, 8:57 pm.

Scot Heath, Secretary