

**TOWN OF TUFTONBORO
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
June 20, 2016
MINUTES**

Members Present: Steve Wingate, Chairman, Lloyd Wood, Selectman's Representative, Nancy Byrd, Mark Howard, Nancy Piper, Kate Nesbit, Members, Ray Everest, Keith Garrett, Alternates.

Members Absent: Mike Phelps, Vice-Chairman, Larry Gil, Member.

Staff Present: Lee Ann Keathley, Secretary.

Chairman Wingate opened the meeting at 6:33 PM.

Chairman Wingate appointed Keith Garrett, Alternate, to sit in for Mike Phelps, Member, and appoint Ray Everest, Alternate, to sit in for Larry Gil, Member.

**I. Consideration of Minutes
May 16, 2016**

It was moved by Lloyd Wood and seconded by Mark Howard to approve the May 16, 2016 Tuftonboro Conservation Commission minutes as submitted. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

II. Discussion Items

A. Digitized Maps

Mark Howard stated a thank you letter was sent to Dan Callister, LRPC. He stated he has not received a response from Granit regarding the ability to update the maps. He stated he would provide training at the Library, dates to be determined.

Lloyd Wood asked what causes the overlays to be off and how such could be corrected.

Mark Howard stated such is not corrected easily; noting a new platform is necessary in order to do such in which he is researching. He stated there will be a disclaimer on the Town's website noting that the maps are for recreational use only. He stated the Town's tax maps are available however, they are five years out of date.

B. Master Plan Update

Mark Howard stated he has written an update for the Master Plan regarding mapping.

Nancy Byrd stated she has met with a geologist and gathering material to write an update for the Master Plan.

C. Sale of Town Owned Property

Lloyd Wood stated the BOS met with Attorney Sager regarding the sale of TM #44-1-19; noting Attorney Sager would be handling the auction of the property at no cost to the Town. He noted the BOS also met with an additional attorney to review the paperwork for the sale since Attorney Sager is the BOS' Town Counsel. He stated the sale auction is scheduled for October 2016.

It was moved by Kate Nesbit and seconded by Mark Howard to recommend the sale of Tax Map 44-1-19, 4 Olds Wood Road. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

D. Bioblitz

Keith Garrett stated six people have signed up (Backyardbio.org) and noted 105 observations and 85 species. He noted there has been a lot of interest on the Facebook page however, not many people are using the INaturalist database. He stated he is preparing an article for the Tuftonboro Times.

Lloyd Wood recommended placing an article in the Granite State News.

E. Well Water Testing Initiative

Nancy Piper stated the Commission received 75 testing kits and 80 radon kits from the State; noting the State was unable to provide 150 kits as done in previous years. She stated she would set up the table in the lobby of the Town Offices 1-2 weeks prior to the distribution/collection dates. She stated Mike Phelps contacted the Tuftonboro Elementary School and was given permission to store the kits at the school until delivered to the State laboratory.

The Commission agreed to place a public notice in the Tuftonboro Times and the Granite State News. The Commission discussed options if additional kits are requested.

F. Mirror Lake Protective Association Report

Annual Meeting scheduled for 7/10/16 at 9AM at the Town House.

G. Mirror Lake Watershed Committee Report

Lloyd Wood stated the Lang Pond Road Reconstruction Project is out to bid.

H. Subcommittee Reports

Great Meadow

Kate Nesbit stated she is contemplating writing a personal introduction to the abutters of the Great Meadow property.

Nancy Piper stated Joanie Gayle is interested in attending a Conservation Commission meeting to discuss conservation opportunities for her property.

III. NH DES Applications

Robert & Ilene Ryan / #2016-01394

27 Old Pasture Road

TM #28-1-59

New Standard Dredge & Fill application to replace destroyed U-shaped dock with new seasonal U-shaped dock consisting of two 6'x40' piers and 10'x11' platform fabricated from box aluminum requiring two 3'x6' concrete pads for hinges to raise all out of the water. Original application returned due to missing information; applicant resubmitted the application; reviewed by Nancy Byrd; no objection.

Mahnaz Mahidashti & Mohammed Reza Alemi

10 Westwood Bay

TM #40-5-3

New Permit By Notification application to install a well and waterline to the house. Reviewed by Nancy Piper; deferred application to NH DES.

Jeff & Cheryl Routhier

66 Whortleberry Island

TM #26-1-50

New Permit By Notification application to replace an existing 6'x25' seasonal hinged pier with a 6'x40' seasonal hinged pier while utilizing the existing concrete anchoring pad. Reviewed by Mike Phelps; no objection.

Lower Beech Pond Village District
61 Tibbetts Road
TM #70-1-6 & 10

New Standard Dredge & Fill application to rehabilitate an existing earthen dam structure to meet current standards in order to comply with a NH DES Dam Bureau Letter of Deficiency (DSP #12-053). Reviewed by Steve Wingate; no objection.

The Deanna J. Cayon Revocable Trust of 2013
30 Tuftonboro Neck Road
TM #51-3-3

New Standard Dredge & Fill application to remove existing crib supported permanent dock and concrete pad and replace it with a 40'x6' aluminum seasonal dock and a 10'x7' concrete anchoring pad. Reviewed by Larry Gil; no objection.

IV. Correspondence

- NHACC provided a Guide to Managing Invasive Species
- The Commission received a request for an emergency permit to replace a structure/stabilize a deck while permitting for the reconstruction of the deck from Thomas Point Limited Partnership, 27 Thomas Point.

V. New Business

- NHACC is seeking new Board members
- NHACC Annual Meeting scheduled for 11/12/16 at Pembroke Academy
- Invasive Species Workshop & subsequent site walk through Sewall Woods scheduled for 6/30/16 at the Abenaki Lodge at 9 AM
- Woods, Water, Wildlife Festival scheduled for 8/13/16
- Climate Control Workshop scheduled for 6/22/16 at Plymouth State University
- NH Coop and its contract consultant, Vegetation Control Services, Inc., submitted a letter informing the Commission that they would be selectively applying herbicides to undesirable vegetation growing within the power line rights-of-way corridors located in Tuftonboro.
- Cow Island Site Walk (Camp Belknap interested in brushing out trails) scheduled for 6/24/16, 1 PM at Nineteen Mile Bay; Keith Garrett, Mark Howard & Ray Everest to attend.
- LRPC Annual Meeting; Steve Wingate requested the Commission pay for Ben Ladd's registration to attend such because it would be beneficial for the Chairman of the MLWC to attend. He noted the MLWC does not have a budget appropriation for conferences.

It was moved by Lloyd Wood and seconded by Nancy Byrd to submit payment for Ben Ladd's registration fee for the LRPC Annual Meeting from the Conservation Commission 2016 Budget. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.

Keith Garrett stated he has observed a large inflatable raft and chairs being kept in the water at all times and described the location of such.

Nancy Byrd stated the location appears to be at John Marshall's property; noting she would notify the property owner of such.

VI. Old Business

- Old Home Day; Commission members needed to volunteer for nature walks scheduled on 8/28/16, 10 AM at Davis Field.

Non-Public Session

It was moved by Steve Wingate and seconded by Lloyd Wood for the Tuftonboro Conservation Commission to enter non-public session at 7:40 PM to consider the acquisition of real property (RSA 91-A:3,II(d)). Roll call vote; Steve Wingate-yes, Lloyd Wood-yes, Mark Howard-yes, Kate Nesbit-yes, Nancy Piper-yes, Keith Garrett-yes, Ray Everest-yes, Nancy Byrd-yes. The motion passed.

The Board re-entered public session at 8:22 PM.

It was moved by Nancy Byrd and seconded by Kate Nesbit to seal the June 20, 2016 Tuftonboro Conservation Commission Non-public Meeting minutes. Roll call vote; Steve Wingate-yes, Lloyd Wood-yes, Mark Howard-yes, Kate Nesbit-yes, Nancy Piper-yes, Keith Garrett-yes, Ray Everest-yes, Nancy Byrd-yes. The motion passed.

Chairman Wingate stated the nonpublic session minutes of June 20, 2016 were sealed by a 2/3 vote as required by law.

It was moved by Keith Garrett and seconded by Kate Nesbit to adjourn the June 20, 2016 Tuftonboro Conservation Commission meeting. All members voted in favor.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 8:28 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
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