

**TOWN OF TUFTONBORO
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
March 28, 2016
MINUTES**

Members Present: Steve Wingate, Chairman, Lloyd Wood, Selectman's Representative, Nancy Byrd, Kate Nesbit, Larry Gil, Mark Howard, Nancy Piper, Members, Ray Everest, Alternate.

Members Absent: Mike Phelps, Vice-Chairman, Keith Garrett, Alternate.

Staff Present: Lee Ann Keathley, Secretary.

Chairman Wingate opened the meeting at 1:01 PM.

I. Discussion Item

A. Master Plan Update

The Commission reviewed the current Master Plan, 2006 Master Plan Survey and the 2016 Master Plan Survey. The Commission noted the 2016 survey made no reference to conservation; noting only 13 of the 36 questions of the 2006 survey were used. The Commission noted that questions that would provide the Conservation Commission guidance for the Master Plan update were removed/not included in the 2016 survey. The Commission questioned whether the public really understood the purpose of the survey.

The Commission agreed to participate in updating the following information;

- Incorporate an Executive Summary (to the beginning of the Master Plan to provide an overall idea of what is trying to be accomplished)
- Include the Town's history in the Master Plan
- Include more topic sentences
- Include information specific to Tuftonboro rather than stating generalities
- Organize by statistical order and not by alphabetical order
- Include photographs when referencing something specific
- Address invasive species in all applicable areas of the Master Plan
- Chapter 3; Revise Introduction to include scenic and historic resources
Include a Natural Resource Protection section
Include a Conserved Land section (include inventory and public access points)
Include a Conservation Strategies section (include wildlife corridors, conservation opportunities, Great Meadow; tie into the introduction
Include Well Water Testing Initiative
Include a new section on Stormwater (prior to section on Flood Plains)
Include Loon habitat (Melvin Village)
Include boat launch areas/accesses (and needed improvements to such)
Wetlands; update Great Meadow ranking
Natural Resources; revise introduction
Water Resources; update Tables,
Groundwater; include groundwater contamination, revise Public Water Supplies Table and then determine whether to include in the update or strike table
Geology, Sand and Gravel; update
Soils; update soils survey, develop paragraph regarding base data and data from Granit (Mark Howard)
Steep Slopes; no changes

Climate and Air Quality; confirm that statistics remain valid, include changes to the environment over the past ten years (Nancy Byrd)
Forests; update to include section on plants and invasive species (Steve Wingate)
Wildlife and Fisheries; update and add all dams (including Pope Dam)
Scenic Resources; include information relative to Town notification by utility companies for tree trimming on scenic roads and mowings

II. Other Business

4/18/16 Conservation Commission Meeting

The Commission agreed to change the time of the meeting from 6:30PM to 5:30PM.

Taking Action For Wildlife Joint Workshop

Tuftonboro Conservation Commission and Wolfeboro Conservation Commission Joint Taking Action For Wildlife Workshop scheduled for Monday, April 11, 2016, 6:30 PM at the Town of Wolfeboro Great Hall, 84 South Main Street, Wolfeboro.

4/21/16 Planning Board Meeting

Conservation Commission to attend the 4/21/16 Planning Board meeting to discuss the Master Plan Update.

III. Old Business

None.

It was moved by Steve Wingate and seconded by Nancy Byrd to adjourn the March 28, 2016 Tuftonboro Conservation Commission meeting. All members voted in favor.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 2:53 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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