TOWN OF TUFTONBORO CONSERVATION COMMISSION April 11, 2016 MINUTES

Taking Action For Wildlife Joint Workshop with the Wolfeboro Conservation Commission

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

Member Absent: Mike Phelps, Vice-Chairman.

Staff Present: Lee Ann Keathley, Secretary.

<u>Others Present:</u> Wendy Scribner, Amanda Stone, UNH Cooperative Extension, Wolfeboro Conservation Commission.

Chairman Wingate opened the meeting at the Town of Wolfeboro Great Hall at 6:41 PM.

I. <u>Discussion Item</u>

Taking Action for Wildlife Joint Workshop

Representatives from UNH Cooperative Extension reviewed the Taking Action for Wildlife program; noting such is a collaboration between NH Fish and Game and UNH Cooperative Extension to help communities, conservation groups and landowners conserve wildlife and habitats in New Hampshire. The NH Wildlife Action Plan identifies habitats and species in greatest need of conservation, identifies threats to their continued existence and offers strategies to help communities, conservation groups and landowners address these issues.

Following the presentation, both Conservation Commissions met separately with a representative to review and discuss their regions. The Commission discussed landscape features and observations of rare plants. The Commission agreed to engage in a more detailed Natural Resources Inventory and incorporate wildlife habitat, resource values and opportunities for protection of Town owned properties into such. The Commission discussed how to report information, outreach at Old Home Day, Master Plan update and outlines for a Natural Resources Inventory (UNH Cooperative Extension to provide the latter and examples from other towns).

II. New Business

None.

III. Old Business

None.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Lee Ann Keathley Lee Ann Keathley