

MINUTES

Sanbornton Conservation Commission

Meeting Date and Time: Thursday, September 14 2017 at 7:00 PM

Meeting Place: Town Offices, 573 Sanborn Road, Sanbornton, N.H.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Brad Crosby at 7:00 PM

Present: Chair Brad Crosby, Karen Bordeau, Brian Mokler, Doug Sarette, John Earley

Minutes

Chair Brad Crosby made a motion to approve the draft minutes of 8/10. Brian Mokler seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

- a. **Reported drainage issue on Lakeside Drive** – Chair Brad Crosby explained that Clifton King of Lakeside Drive, which is a private road, had a concern about drainage running into the lake. Chair Crosby has tried reaching Mr. King about his concern several times but has not been able to speak with him. Chair Crosby visited the location but could not see any signs of runoff.

Old Business

- a. **Town Forester contract** – The Commission reviewed the Town Forester contract drafted by Dick Ayers. Brian Mokler asked if an attorney should be reviewing this contract, and Karen Bordeau recommended also having the County Forester, Andy Fast, look at the contract. Chair Crosby will have the contract reviewed and report any revisions at the next meeting.
- b. **Trail maintenance update** - John Earley provided photos of the damaged stone wall and surrounding trees at the hiking trails on Eastman Hill. He stated that there were some markers on trees but he is not sure if those are there to show the lot boundaries or not. He also reported that he has spoken with John Schwab of the New Hampton School about having a group of students volunteer to clean up the trails, and this will be coordinated soon. Chair Crosby will ask Andy Fast about the tree markings to find out if the stone wall is on Steele Hill's property or not.
- c. **Proposed easement on Hunkins Pond Rd** – Chair Brad Crosby explained that Dick Ayers has been in touch with Kyle Reed and that Mr. Reed would like to sell his property to the Conservation Commission, which he was previously planning on putting into conservation. Brian Mokler mentioned that the private driveway belonging to a neighboring house (for sale) which provides access to this land may be an issue, as an alternate route of access isn't feasible given the layout. He also stated that the seller may need to fix this access issue in order to sell the house. Chair Crosby will check with Town Assessor Robb Jutton about the driveway. He will also find out how recent of a survey would be required when purchasing the land (i.e. can the most recent survey be 15 years old or must it be newer?).

Other Business

- a. **Upcoming NHACC conference** – Chair Crosby stated that any member can register for this upcoming conference on November 4th and it will be paid for from the Conservation Commission's budget.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Thursday, October 12th.

Respectfully submitted,

Audry Barriault