

## MINUTES

### Sanbornton Conservation Commission

**Meeting Date and Time:** Thursday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018 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, Dick Ayers, Doug Sarette, Mary Ahlgren, Mark Ledgard

#### Minutes

Mary Ahlgren made a motion to approve the draft minutes of 12/14 with corrections. Chair Brad Crosby seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### Old Business

- a. **Sample Town Forester contract** – Mary Ahlgren explained that she checked with Tilton/Northfield about their forester contract and learned that they do not have one. Karen Bordeau stated that she checked with Andy Fast for sample contracts and though one could not be provided he did provide some formal language and clauses that should be included in the contract. Dick Ayers will work on editing the previous contract he drafted using these guidelines and the Commission will review.
- b. **Update on right-of-way encroachment on Reed property** – Mark Ledgard explained that he was able to work on researching the right-of-way and received a legal opinion from Town Attorney Chris Boldt. Since the right-of-way is noted in the warranty deed there should be no issues with purchasing the 13.5-acre property and using the right-of-way. This property would be purchased with funds from the Land Use Tax Change fund. The Conservation fund would pay for miscellaneous expenses such as legal fees, title research, etc.

Mary Ahlgren made a motion to enter non-public session in accordance with 91-A:3, II(b) at 7:32pm. Doug Sarette seconded the motion. Roll Call vote: Crosby-Yes, Bordeau-Yes, Sarette-Yes, Ahlgren-Yes, Ledgard-Abstain, Ayers-Abstain. Motion passed. Dick Ayers and Mark Ledgard recused themselves from the non-public session as they are abutters to property in question.

Public session reconvened at 7:47pm. The motion to seal the minutes for two months was made by Mary Ahlgren and seconded by Chair Crosby. Roll Call vote: Crosby-Yes, Bordeau-Yes, Sarette-Yes, Ahlgren-Yes, Ledgard-Abstain, Ayers-Abstain. Motion passed.

During non-public session, a motion was made to make Kyle Reed an offer to purchase his property on Hunkins Pond Road.

Chair Crosby made a motion to invite Kyle Reed to the next Conservation Commission meeting on February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Doug Sarette seconded the motion and the motion passed, with Dick Ayers and Mark Ledgard abstaining.

- c. **Eastman Hill trail boundary line update** – Chair Brad Crosby stated that he has not talked to

Steele Hill owner Bill Cutillo about the boundary line on Eastman Hill and cleaning up the stone wall area. He stated that he will wait to schedule any major trail clean-up when the area is logged so that larger equipment will be available.

### **Other Business**

**a. Conservation set-asides on subdivisions** – Karen Bordeau stated that she read in recent Planning Board minutes that required subdivision set-asides are often placed on already-protected wetlands areas. She suggested that the Commission is notified of subdivisions that will require the set-aside so that a member can be present at the Planning Board meeting. Secretary Audry Barriault stated that she can forward any Planning Board agenda that includes this activity to the Conservation Commission members. Karen Bordeau also stated that it would be helpful to provide a map of wildlife travel corridors in Sanbornton for builders to see.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00.**

Respectfully submitted,

Audry Barriault