

Draft-Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes July 17, 2013

Present: Nate Fogg, chair; Dave Mankus, vice-chair; Relf Fogg; Tom Dube; Steve Brown.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm.

➤ **Natural Resources Inventory Ad-Hoc Committee**

The Commission discussed natural resources vs. manmade and what should be included.

N Fogg referred to the chapter summary and noted that they do already have a lot of the information except for the NHB and Wildlife habitats. He suggested they print what they have and get the information that is missing.

D Mankus stated he would like to have the maps that were done by Dustin Johnson of the Acton Wakefield Water Shed Alliance printed, at least start with an 11 x 17 set.

➤ **List of Conservation Land in Wakefield**

N Fogg stated that he made some corrections to the spreadsheet and picked up the missing deeds.

➤ **Review ways to improve Town roads**

N Fogg stated the issue is to help private roads address maintenance that keeps erosion from affecting the lakes.

T Dube stated he has done a lot of research on this issue and could start by identifying the ten worst spots on each lake and provide some education.

D Mankus agreed education is the way to go and is effective and they could start by educating the road associations.

The Commission had extensive discussion on how they would like to address private road erosion that is affecting the lakes.

N Fogg suggested a first step could be to educate those who are maintaining the roads.

T Dube suggested having some restrictions when a permit is pulled for work done on the lakes.

The Commission had a discussion on restrictions for permits on lake work.

N Fogg suggested they start with site visits if they have a concern about an area where a permit is requested. He suggested they agree to a day to do the visits and he would contact NH DES on doing such visits.

T Dube noted the point of it is to educate.

N Fogg stated they can look into this further and have a plan for the August 12th meeting.

➤ **Conservation Camp**

N Fogg noted the balance is due before August 11th.

➤ **Request to purchase 32 acres for Conservation Land-TM 201-11**

N Fogg stated he was contacted by the property owner of TM 201-11 to see if the Conservation Commission was interested in purchasing her lot of 32 acres of back land in the area of Lovell Lake. He stated the owner explained that she is selling her camp and the lot, but would like to see the land conserved.

The Commission reviewed the tax map showing the lot.

N Fogg suggested that he contact the owner again and ask her what she was looking to get for the property and find out if there is any tax benefit for her.

➤ **Consideration of Minutes**

The public minutes from July 8^h were reviewed.

D Mankus made a motion to approve the public minutes from July 8th, 2013 as submitted. R Fogg seconded the motion. Steve Brown abstained. The vote was 4-0-1the motion carried.

➤ **Rules and Procedures**

N Fogg stated he will make the updates and provide it for the next meeting.

➤ **Next Meeting**

The date for the next meeting is scheduled for August 12, 2013 at 7:30 PM.

➤ **Financials**

None.

➤ **Correspondence**

N Fogg provided correspondence for review.

R Fogg made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by T Dube. The vote was 5-0 in favor of the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 8:54pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amelia Capone-Muccio