

TOWN OF NEW HAMPTON
Conservation Commission
MEETING MINUTES
Zoom Meeting ID: 85692976484
NEW HAMPTON, NH 03256

March 8, 2021

Members Present:

Regular Members: Mr. B. Pollock, Mrs. S. Martinez, Ms. K. Peterson, Mrs. D. Pendergast
Alternate Members:
Absent Members: Mr. M. Schofield, Mr. B. Rolfe

Others Present:

None

Call to order:

Mrs. Martinez called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

Minutes

Mr. Pollock made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Pendergast to accept the minutes of 1/11/2021 as submitted. **Vote was unanimous.*

Correspondence

None

**1. DELIBERATIVE SESSION
OVERVIEW/WARRANTS**

1) Mrs. Martinez gave an overview of what occurred at Deliberative Session, she mentioned that there was only one inquiry and no additional discussion. Articles 33 & 34 will be brought to town vote on March 9, 2021

**2.SNAKE RIVER
UPDATE/DISCUSSION**

2) Mrs. Martinez explained that that she has emailed Erin Darrow regarding the status of application. She has not yet received an update on details, but did receive an email with an extension request to DES into April, which was approved. Mrs. Martinez will continue to follow-up. Mrs. Pendergast will help to look over grant applications in preparation to acquire funding for the next stages of the project.

**3. BEDROSIAN PROPERTY
UPDATE**

3) Contact was made with property owner to discuss property. Mrs. Martinez is working with property owner's representative and will forward information to continue progress.

**4. DISCUSSION ON PROPOSED
GROUND WATER ORDINACE**

4) Mr. Pollock recommended notifying New Hampton Planning Board of our intention to work on ordinance and provide draft to discuss for final. Mrs. Martinez will draft letter to Chairman Kettenring.

**5. CC FUND DEPOSITS AND
TRANSFERS**

5) For the record Mrs. Martinez would like it noted that the balance of last year's budget in the amount of \$836.56 was deposited into the FSB Conservation Fund on 1/29/21. She also brought up for discussion the option of internal transfers vs physical checks for any future balance deposits. Commission is in agreement with internal transfers.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

6) Mrs. Martinez brought up items under other business for this upcoming spring season.

- KDCA Mowing, Mrs. Martinez has been in contact with 2 local town residents about mowing trails for KDCA to ensure trails are accessible. She advised costs to do this and recommended possibly

1-2 passes of trail mowing from spring to summer. Mr. Pollock mentioned to contact Mr. Brummer with the New Hampton School as they may be able to have students help with the mapping and clearing of trails. Mrs. Martinez will email Mr. Brummer. There was discussion about recommended brush hogging. Mrs. Pendergast and her husband can brush hog if equipment is provided. Mrs. Martinez also advised that she has printed out grant application for the brush hogging and will contact Mr. Gilpatric for estimate. Small Grant Application will be submitted.

- Mrs. Pendergast offered to hang signs for the Youst Conservation Area and the Kelley Drake “no camping” signs. She will coordinate with Mrs. Martinez to obtain signs.
- Discussion on monitoring of conservation areas. Mrs. Peterson completed her monitoring and needs paperwork to fill out. Mrs. Martinez will forward report to her. Mrs. Martinez also advised that Swain/Merrill and Scribner’s will be completed early spring. She will try and contact surveyor to discuss placard marking at Scribner’s. Mrs. Pendergast mentioned that the debris from the Alfred Jenness Property will need to be cleared along with entrance area to the property.
- Mrs. Martinez has been in touch with SLCS regarding 2 pieces of legislation to watch. HB82 and HB621; should both be passed they will have a direct affect to future easements. At this time Mrs. Martinez has been advised that legislation should not affect Jackson Pond CE.
- Mrs. Kelsey Peterson has submitted her resignation from the CC, the commission offered much appreciation for her dedication and input over the years.

ADJOURNMENT:

**Mr. Pollock made a motion seconded by Mrs. Peterson to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m. Vote was unanimous.*

Respectfully submitted, Shana M. Martinez