Town of New Hampton Conservation Commission Minutes April 8, 2019

New Hampton Town Office Upstairs Meeting Room, 6 Pinnacle Hill Rd.

Members present: T. Simpson, Chair, R. Pollock, G. DuBois, R. Leroux, S. Martinez, K.

Peterson

Absent: M. Schofield, B. Rolfe (wintering in Florida).

Guest: Barbara Lucas

Meeting called to order by Chairman Simpson at 7:05 p.m.

The Minutes from the March 11, 2019 meeting were reviewed. The following changes were made:

- The Commission reviewed their Open Space Plan with regards to the 2/11/19 Table 1 of the Open Space Plan and approved changes to the document.
- Pat Schlesinger has finished her term on the Commission and will not seek another term.

Old Business

Barbara Lucas provided information on the Quarterly Financial Statement provided to the Commission by the town treasurer. It was suggested that the statement include an itemized list of expenditures and revenues. Barbara stated that she will review this request with the Treasurer. Barbara also discussed the report from Daniel Moore on the Capital Reserve Fund. Dan will be attending the May meeting to provide details of the report. Barbara also mentioned that the agreement with the NH Forest and Lands on maintenance of the trail to Bald Ledge is under review by the Board of Selectmen and has not been signed, due to liability concerns.

The Commission discussed honoring Pat Schlesinger for her many years of service on the Conservation Commission. Further details will be discussed at the May meeting.

Barbara Lucas agreed that the Commission's filing cabinets could be moved to the second floor of the town office. Exact location and process for moving and organizing the files will be decided at the earliest convenience.

New Business

Election of Officers will take place at the June meeting as per the Commission By-Laws.

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Craig Churchill, a teacher at the New Hampton School, will be coordinating efforts to bring student volunteers for a day to provide trail maintenance and brush clearing at the K.D.C.A. Others from local schools or organizations are also welcomed to join the students. DuBois has agreed to coordinate volunteer activities and maintain a record of hours worked by volunteers.

DuBois read an email from Rick DeMark inviting the Commission to participate a joint meeting of the Lake Wicwas Association, the Meredith Conservation Commission and the Lakes Region Conservation Trust to identify mutually held objectives for land conservation in the Lake Wicwas Watershed. Commission agreed to participate and DuBois will represent to Commission. Martinez said she would also like to participate. DuBois will follow up with Rick DeMark.

DuBois and Peterson shared information from the UNH Saving Special Places Conference held Saturday 4/6. Discussion of their comments followed.

DuBois announced that the NHACC will be holding a volunteer easement monitoring workshop, free of charge, on April 26 in Canterbury, NH.

Pollock stated that the review of the wetlands permit for Robert Wolak/Dunkin Donuts was expedited.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Gordon DuBois, Secretary