Town of New Hampton Conservation Commission Special Meeting Minutes

New Hampton Town Office

Upstairs Meeting Room, 6 Pinnacle Hill Rd. May 25, 2017

Commission members present: R. Leroux, G. DuBois, D. Moore (Chair), R. Pollock, P. Schlesinger, B. Rolfe

Meeting called to order by Chairman Moore at 7:16 PM.

New Business:

Chairman Moore motioned that that the Commission contract Colin Brown to survey property at a cost of \$6,000. Leroux questioned whether the property is under a conservation easement and should the Commission authorize payment for surveying a property the Commission has no authority over. The motion was passed pending the conveyance of the property to be managed by the Conservation Commission and held in perpetuity for conservation purposes. Chairman Moore will clarify and report back to Commission at next meeting.

Moore requested authorization for payment of \$2,940 to Shawn Lagueux for work on Kelly-Drake property. Bill was submitted on 2/1/17. Rolfe motioned to pay bill, seconded by Leroux and approved unanimously.

Snake River Parking- Erin Darrow of Right Angle Engineering reported that the NH DOT has approved parking lot on Winona Rd. adjacent to railroad underpass. This would allow individuals to access the Snake River area for walking and nature study and the Commission could consider future development of the area for nature trails and other related activities.

Commission discussed the consideration of all wetlands in New Hampton being placed under Prime Wetland jurisdiction; e.g., Harper Brook and Magoon Brook. This issue can be addressed further with Mike Izzard of the Lakes Region Planning Commission who will be attending the June 12 meeting.

Other Business

- P. Schlesinger led discussion regarding preservation of the area in proximity of the Pemigewasset River, known as the "Long Carry". Moore made a motion to study the issue further, seconded by Leroux and approved.
- R. Pollock reported on the expedited permit for driveway construction on Sinclair Hill Rd. Owner agreed to recommendations made by Pollock and approval forwarded to NH DES.
- R. Pollock led discussion regarding construction and maintenance of new parking lot for K-D property. Discussion led to Commission agreeing to develop a budget for capital improvements and maintenance of the property. Development of the budget was tabled for further discussion. DuBois informed members that Lew Shelly of Snowhawk, LLC, will lay out potential trail system for K-D property. Pollock made survey map and which will be sent to Shelly.

Discussion of agenda Items for June 12 meeting

Mike Izzard of the Lakes Region Planning Commission will review New Hampton's land use planning document.

Lew Shelly will present plan for trail development on K-D property and proposed contact to build trail system.

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Discussion of capital and maintenance budget for K-D property Kelly Island tour Conservation Commission paying for Glines property survey.

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 PM

