

5/16/17 Minutes – Approved June 20, 2017

Present: Lee Wilder, Rob Knight, Jonathan Bradstreet, Ron Klemarczyk, Melissa Jones, Bob Lapree
Guest (for New Business item # 1): Chris Connors, Trout Unlimited
Meeting was called to order at 7:14 by Chairperson Lee Wilder.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Mail and notices received by the HCC were circulated to the committee.
2. HCC minutes of 4/18/17: Approved.
3. Treasurer's report: In the absence of the treasurer, no report was presented.
4. Trail subcommittee update: Rob Knight reported that he, Cleve Kapala, and Bob Lapree had walked the potential trail route from Putney Hill Road to the Dearborn property and it looks good. There are a few wet spots. Some HCC funds will be needed to buy materials to cross the wet areas. Lee Wilder is getting information from DES on trails and wetlands.
Ron Klemarczyk described a planned trail loop at the Rollins lot and has a Boy Scout lined up to do the work. There is a 60' wet area in the middle of the property which will need a boardwalk and a wetland permit. Ron will identify a route for the snowmobile trail and talk to the Sno Mads.
Rob Knight reported that the Trail Committee is planning a hike with the Rec Dept for early September from the bandstand, through the cemetery, and then on the Rollins loop.
Bob Lapree reported that representatives from the Concord - Lake Sunapee Rail Trail met with a local service club and Dave Luneau will be working with them to raise funds. They will work on connections at the Warner end of Stevens Rail Trail first.
Bob Lapree has two signs re dog waste at Brockway Preserve. Approved payment of \$24 to All Signs in Hillsborough for the signs.
5. Timber harvests at Rollins and Gould: Ron Klemarczyk reported that the timber harvests are finished. Payment for Rollins timber is still to be received.
6. Lot line adjustment/ land gift: No news.
7. Beyer Lot NH Audubon conservation easement: Rob Knight reported that Dijit Taylor has been in touch with NH Audubon and their review should be complete soon.
8. Camp Barry: Lee Wilder reported that the camper's family has paid the \$150 deposit and the camper is looking forward to attending the camp.
9. New cemetery lot: Lee Wilder reported no news
10. Hazard pines at Kimball Lake: Lee Wilder reported that Jeff Dearborn found the pines so rotten that he cannot remove them until the pond is frozen.
11. Brockway brochure: Lee Wilder has asked that NH Audubon give us some copies of the new brochure when it is printed.
12. Sheldon Lot Easement Boundaries: Foreco will set the pins for the exclusion area. Lee, Rob and Ron monitored the property.
13. Possible Conservation Easement: Rob Knight reported that, as a representative of Five Rivers, he has met with a landowner interested in conserving a large, scenic hayfield in Hopkinton. Rob reviewed the conservation values as assessed by the Open Space Committee. The landowner has requested that the town help with the transaction costs for this donated easement. Discussed whether the HCC would be willing to accept a fee interest in the property. Voted to pay transaction costs up to \$12,500, and agreed to accept a gift of the land if offered. Rob Knight and Ron Klemarczyk abstained from the vote.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Trout Unlimited Workshops on Best Practices for Culvert Replacement: Chris Connors invited the town to send representatives to workshops in Warner June 14 and 28, from 4:30 – 6:00. The workshops will be on culvert replacement to improve flood resiliency, and actions the Warner River drainage basin communities can take to do a culvert survey and get grants to help pay costs.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 PM.

Minutes submitted by Rob Knight, Secretary.

Next HCC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday June 20 at 7 PM at the Kimball Lake Cabin.

Melissa is the host.