

Hopkinton Conservation Commission  
August 27, 2019.  
Meeting Held at the Kimball Lake Cabins

### **8/27/19 Non-Public Session Minutes - Accepted 9/24/19**

Present: Lee Wilder, Ron Klemarczyk, Lissa Jones, Bob Lapree;  
Alternative present: James Newsom  
Visitors: None.

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 by Chairperson Lee Wilder

Commission went into executive session pursuant to NH RSA 91-A:3.II.d. to discuss potential property acquisitions. Moved by Lee, seconded by Lissa, vote unanimous.

#### **NON-PUBLIC:**

New Business 1: Cameron Lot. Map 251, Lot 8.1) Lee received news that the asking price for this property has been reduced from \$110,000 to \$89,000. The real estate agent indicated that they would not take a commission for a sale to the Commission.

Discussion ensued about the amount of HCC funds available and it was determined that approximately \$73,000 are currently available (current funds less recent expenses less funds committed to other project in earlier meeting).

Options discussed were to take a wait and see approach to see if the asking price is further reduced; make an offer contingent on town meeting approving a bond; or make offer contingent on select board approval.

Lissa moved, seconded by Ron, that the HCC, by and through its chairperson, offer \$75,000 with \$1,000 deposit, to purchase the property with HCC funds. Any purchase is contingent on select board approval. Additional discussion occurred. Motion passed with 4 votes in favor, 1 vote against.

#### **2. Pine Street, Map 220, Lot 035, and Thain Road, Map 216, Lot 024.**

HCC currently owns the Pine Street lot and Chuck Rose owns the Thain Road lot. Rose would like to build on his lot, but flowage rights prevent him from doing so. Discussion occurred about a land swap of the two parcels with the HCC retaining the timber rights to Pine Street and Thain Road becoming a Town Forest. Several members were familiar with both parcels so that site visits were not necessary.

Lee moved, Bob seconded, that the HCC swap parcels while retaining timber rights to Pine Street lot, with each party bearing own expenses, with the chair authorized to act on behalf of the HCC pursuant to this motion. Additional discussion occurred. Motion passed with 4 votes in favor, 0 against. Ron recused himself.

Lee moved to seal the minutes and come out of nonpublic session, Lissa seconded, vote unanimous.

Completing the meeting's agenda, meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM. Minutes submitted by James Newsom, acting secretary. The next meeting will be scheduled after Lee receives information on item #1.