

**Town of Northwood
Conservation Commission Minutes
January 8, 2013**

Chairman Stephen Roy calls the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Stephen Roy, Vice Chairman Steven Hampl, James Ryan, Paul Lussier, Board Administrator Linda Smith, and Board Secretary Lisa Fellows-Weaver. Thomas Chase arrives at 7:05 p.m.

Absent: Wini Young, Alternate Loren O'Neil, and Alternate Michael Matson

MINUTES

December 4, 2012

Mr. Ryan makes a motion, second by Mr. Hampl, to approve the minutes of December 4, 2012, as amended, as follows:

Page 1: Change: were ... to ...*posed a.*; ...Add: *hazardous condition and which had bedding that was significantly eroded.*

Tom Chase arrives at 7:05 p.m.

Motion passes; 4/0/1. Mr. Lussier abstains, as he was not at the meeting.

Woodman Park-Lucas Pond

Ms. Smith states that she did not receive a financial breakdown from the facility committee noting the balance for this project.

A discussion is held regarding the status of the project. Ms. Smith states that work has occurred over the past few weeks by NH Fish & Game (NHF&G). The fence to the right of the ramp area has been repaired and a building has been removed. She states that this is town property and explains that there is no contractual agreement; however, NHF&G have been involved in the area over a period of years and has permission to utilize and access the area.

Further discussion is held regarding what can be done to this area to make it a safer and more robust setting. Mr. Roy notes that there should be something done to the parking area to avoid further runoff coming down the ramp. Mr. Roy states that he will try to visit the site and get some pictures for next month's meeting.

OTHER

Land Fund Documents

Ms. Smith states that these documents will be emailed to the committee, with hard copies provided in the February packets, to be addressed at the March meeting.

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Town Forester – Update

Ms. Smith states that the selectmen signed the forester contract tonight.

Mr. Roy states that the commission will schedule a meeting with Mr. Moreno at the February meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Conservation Commission Land Fund

Ms. Smith states that the commission currently has \$76,100 in the land fund as of November 31, 2012. She adds that the current use total for 2012 is \$58,140 in which \$29,070 will be deposited into the land fund in the spring.

OTHER

Yeaton, Map 238; Lot 6

A discussion is held regarding a site walk that was held Saturday, January 5. Mr. Roy states that he and Mr. Hampl were in attendance along with Carl Wallman. Mr. Roy provides an overview of the 56 acre parcel and the makeup of property. He states that overall the parcel is a very nice lot. He states that this parcel is keyed in to everything else and fits the setting of other conservation properties. He feels that this property would be a valuable conservation purchase. He explains that the lot is a woodlot, reasonably accessible from the state park. He notes that there could be some timber work done; however, he is not sure of the timber value as there is a wide variety of timber. He is inclined to move forward on providing an offer.

Additional discussion is held regarding endangered species. Mr. Ryan states that there is a possibility of funding through the NH Fish and Game (NHF&G). Mr. Roy will check into this option further and will schedule a meeting with Jim Oehler of NHF&G, Mr. Ryan, and himself.

Non-Public Session

Mr. Roy makes a motion, second by Mr. Ryan, to enter into non-public session per RSA 91-A:3II(d).

Roll Call Vote

Steve Roy – yes

Steve Hampl – yes

Jim Ryan – yes

Tom Chase – yes

Paul Lussier – yes

Motion passes unanimously at 8:05 p.m.

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Mr. Roy makes a motion, second by Mr. Lussier, to come out of non-public session.

Roll Call Vote

Steve Roy – yes

Stave Hampl – yes

Jim Ryan – yes

Tom Chase – yes

Paul Lussier – yes

Motion passes unanimously at 8:21 p.m.

Mr. Roy makes a motion, second by Mr. Chase, to meet with the selectmen at their January 22 meeting. Motion passes; 5/0. Mr. Roy will plan to attend along with Mr. Hampl and Mr. Chase. Based on the results of the meeting with the selectmen; **Mr. Roy makes a motion, second by Mr. Hampl, for Mr. Roy to send out a letter with an offer to Ms. Yeaton, as discussed by the commission. Motion passes unanimously; 5/0.**

Appointments

Ms. Smith notes that terms for Mr. Hampl, Mr. Chase, and Mr. Ryan will be up in March. Letters will be needed at the March meeting.

Adjournment

Mr. Ryan makes a motion, second by Mr. Lussier, to adjourn. Motion passes unanimously at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Fellows-Weaver
Board Secretary