

**Town of Northwood  
Conservation Commission Minutes  
June 5, 2018**

Vice Chair Shelley Frost called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**Present:**

Vice Chair Shelley Frost, Steve Hampl, Fred Borman and Wini Young.

**Town Staff present:**

Board Administrator Linda Smith and Land Use Secretary Susan Austin.

**Minutes**

**Mr. Borman made a motion to approve the minutes of May 1, 2018. Ms. Young seconded. Motion carried 4/0**

**Ms. Frost made a motion to approve the minutes of the 5/8 site walk of the Granite Street property. Vote 3/0/1 Mr. Hampl abstained.**

**Public Input**

William Andreason was present to discuss the land adjacent to his property. He stated it was where the old Johnson Furniture building was located. Mr. Andreason stated that there was an abundance of brush growing that he would like to have removed He stated that Mr. Johnson gave the property to the Town with the understanding that it would be cleared. Discussion ensued about ideas for clearing the lot.

**Vice Chair Frost made a motion to write a letter on behalf of Mr. Andreason to the BOS that they arrange for reducing the vegetation on the former Johnson property. Mr. Borman seconded. Motion carried 4/0.**

**Update on the Guptill Lamprey Trail**

Ms. Young stated that she spoke with the selectmen concerning a permit for the stream crossing on athletic field, not on the land that the commission has jurisdiction over. She took the wetland trail notification up to the selectmen, along with the Natural Heritage Bureau letter. Also attached is a map. She stated that there is a there is a checklist and she wanted to make sure that she has done all that need to be done. \$25 notice fee due.

*Mr. Chase arrived at 7:31 PM*

**Mr. Chase made a motion to pay the \$25 notice fee. Ms. Frost seconded. Motion carried 5/0.**

Ms. Young stated that Ms. Deluca wanted to see before and after pictures, so she has included them with the paperwork. The selectmen stated that once the commission has reviewed it, Selectman Hodgdon would come and sign it.

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**Trail map Issues**

Ms. Smith stated that they had understood that the map would be a document that they would be able to change and add to. She stated that she had reread the minutes from that meeting where it was discussed to make sure. Ms. Austin stated that if it was okay, she would communicate directly with Ms. Deeley to see if there was a way to “unlock” the map in order to add data to it.

Ms. Young stated that Mr. Borman had logged 28 hours of work on the trails. She stated that she sent the numbers to the financial director.

**Internal Business**

**Town Forester**

Ms. Smith stated that she had been emailing with Mr. Moreno, the forester. He had a commitment on July 3<sup>rd</sup> but could come on July 10<sup>th</sup>. Since July 3<sup>rd</sup> was the day before a holiday, the thought was to move the meeting to July 10, that way the forester could attend.

**Granite Street Properties**

Ms. Smith presented the commission with a copy of the Granite Street notice of decision that included the condition that the concerns of the Conservation Commission from the letter of March 8, 2018 were addressed.

**Vice Chair Frost made a motion to write a letter to the Planning Board stating that the concerns of the commission were addressed by the applicant. Mr. Borman seconded. Motion carried 5/0.**

**Procedure checklist**

Ms. Smith distributed a copy of a checklist for applications that may come in front of the commission for the members to take home and look over.

**Correspondence**

The Rockingham County Conservation District sent a letter about a pilot project for free invasive plant management on municipal working lands. The RCCD asked for municipalities who may be interested to send a letter of interest. There wasn't a deadline date, so Ms. Austin offered to find out what the deadline might be for a letter.

**Ms. Frost made a motion to adjourn at 8:38 PM. Mr. Borman seconded. Motion carried 5/0**

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Susan Austin, Land Use Secretary*