TOWN OF WOLFEBORO CONSERVATION COMMISSION October 8, 2018 MINUTES

<u>Members Present:</u> Lenore Clark, Vice-Chairman, Dave Senecal, Selectmen's Representative, Art Slocum, Jeff Marchand, Ed Roundy, Members, Warren Muir, Alternate.

Members Absent: Dan Coons, Chairman, Brian Gifford, Member, Sarah Silk, Robert Pierpont, Alternates.

Staff Present: Lee Ann Hendrickson, Administrative Secretary.

Guest Present: Nancy Byrd.

Vice-Chairman Clark opened the meeting at 6:34 PM at the Wolfeboro Town Hall Annex Conference Room. Vice-Chairman Clark appointed Warren Muir, Alternate, to sit in for Brian Gifford, Member.

I. <u>Consideration of Minutes</u> September 10, 2018 Minutes

It was moved by Warren Muir and seconded by Ed Roundy to approve the September 10, 2018
Wolfeboro Conservation Commission minutes as submitted. Warren Muir, Ed Roundy voted in favor.
Lenore Clark, Jeff Marchand, Art Slocum, Dave Senecal abstained. The motion passed.

September 15, 2018

It was moved by Art Slocum and seconded by Warren Muir to approve the September 15, 2018 Wolfeboro Conservation Commission minutes as submitted. Warren Muir, Art Slocum, Ed Roundy voted in favor. Lenore Clark, Jeff Marchand, Dave Senecal abstained. The motion passed.

Dredge & Fill Minutes September 15, 2018

It was moved by Art Slocum and seconded by Warren Muir to approve the September 15, 2018
Wolfeboro Conservation Commission Dredge & Fill minutes as submitted. Warren Muir, Art Slocum,
Ed Roundy voted in favor. Lenore Clark, Jeff Marchand, Dave Senecal abstained. The motion passed.

II. Discussion Items

a. Wentworth Watershed Association; Brewster Heath
Lenore Clark stated the Commission would enter nonpublic session to discuss such.

b. Winter Harbor Cyanobacteria

Lenore Clark referenced an email exchange between Warren Muir, Kathy Barnard and Bob Tougher regarding the Cyanobacteria outbreak at Carry Beach.

Warren Muir stated he reported a cyanobacteria bloom in Winter Harbor in August to the State. He stated he made a presentation to the BOS and submitted photographs to the BOS. He reviewed the same presentation with the Commission. He stated Dave Ford recognized the

problem and developed BMPs with the Town's engineer; noting the goal for addressing the issue is to monitor, assess, mitigate and promote public education.

Ed Roundy asked if there is any evidence of previous blooms.

Warren Muir replied no.

Dave Senecal stated he, Paul O'Brien and Dave Ford observed and identified other areas of concern in Winter Harbor; noting they found a majority of the shorefront is highly vegetated of native species.

Art Slocum noted an area of concern at the Rust Pond boat ramp due to runoff from a culvert.

Jeff Marchand stated that moving forward the Town can be more cognizant of drainage and runoff.

Warren Muir stated the Wentworth Watershed Association received a grant for a watershed assessment.

Nancy Byrd asked if there are any point sources independent of nonpoint sources.

Warren Muir stated he is not aware of any major outfalls and noted culverts exist at the top of the hill.

Dave Senecal stated he observed a couple concrete culverts feeding into Winter Harbor near Nary Shores.

c. Hemlock Woody Adalgid

The Commission tabled such.

Jeff Marchand requested the forester (Dan Stepanauskas) comment on whether such is affecting the Town's properties.

d. Maintenance Planning for Conservation Properties; Status Updates

Referencing the Town's Garden property, Ed Roundy stated people have been littering along the border of Fairway View Drive; noting such has continued to worsen. He stated the area is very dense and not well defined and recommended marking the boundaries (posting boundary markers) this fall.

Dave Senecal recommended contacting the Lakes Region Technology Center and request assistance from the students with regard to clearing areas on the property.

The Commission further discussed such and agreed to the following;

- Clear around survey pipes/markers (including placing a flagged stake inside the survey pipe)
- Post conservation boundary markers
- Ed Roundy to contact Dan Coons regarding the issue

Referencing Front Bay Park, Lenore Clark stated Brian Gifford has re-installed the sign, installed pet waste bags and invasive species removed/treated.

Referencing Bill Rae Conservation Area, Jeff Marchand stated he and Dan cut down a tree that was blocking the path.

Referencing Ryefield Marsh, Lenore Clark stated no action has been taken.

e. Conservation Commission Town Counsel

Staff informed the Commission that their Town Counsel, Roger Murray III, is retiring by year end.

Warren Muir asked if the Commission has separate counsel from the BOS and Planning Board.

Dave Senecal replied yes.

Warren Muir asked if hiring a new attorney needs to go out to bid.

Dave Senecal replied no.

Art Slocum recommended Nicole Csiszer, Walker and Varney Attorneys at Law.

III. Other Business

Conservation Commission Mixer

Art Slocum stated he attended the Conservation Commission mixer; noting Matt Sullivan made a presentation. He discussed the Town of New Durham v. State of NH lawsuit regarding Merrymeeting Lake.

Warren Muir stated Conservation Law Foundation (New England focused organization) filed a notice of lawsuit.

Willey Brook Litter & Trash Pickup

Jeff Marchand stated he has scheduled a litter and trash pickup day at Willey Brook with the Cub Scouts (Wolf Pack) on Saturday, October 13th. He stated he has asked Adam Tasker to waive the disposal fees at the Solid Waste Facility.

Robert J. & Helen I. Conrad Standard Dredge & Fill Application

Jeff Marchand questioned the status of the application that the Commission reviewed on 9/28/18.

Lenore Clark stated the Commission questioned impact to the viewshed relative to the height of the boatlift therefore, she left a voicemail with the applicant's agent regarding such. She stated the applicant's agent has not returned her call. She stated Dan Coons informed her that all boatlifts are seasonal by nature.

Jeff Marchand questioned whether she has any issues if the boatlift is seasonal.

Lenore Clark replied no.

Following further review and discussion, the Commission noted no objection to the application.

Member Appointment Request

Nancy Byrd requested appointment as an Alternate for one year to the Conservation Commission.

Staff informed Ms. Byrd she would submit a request for appointment to the BOS.

IV. Informational Items

The Commission received the following informational item; Moose Mountains Regional Greenways publication, Conservation Commission proposal to NH Bureau of Trails (Willey Brook), Bella Terra Trail Design Agreement for the construction of one mile of trail at Willey Brook and NHDES correspondence.

V. Non-Public Session

It was moved by Dave Senecal and seconded by Art Slocum to enter non-public session at 7:51 PM to consider the acquisition of real property (RSA 91-A:3,II(d)). Roll call vote; Lenore Clark – yes, Warren Muir – yes, Ed Roundy – yes, Art Slocum – yes, Jeff Marchand - yes. The motion passed.

The Board re-entered public session at 7:57PM.

It was moved Lenore Clark and seconded by Jeff Marchand to seal the October 8, 2018 Wolfeboro Conservation Commission non-public meeting minutes. Roll call vote; Lenore Clark – yes, Warren Muir – yes, Ed Roundy – yes, Art Slocum – yes, Jeff Marchand - yes. motion passed.

Vice-Chairman Clark stated the nonpublic session minutes of October 8, 2018 were sealed by a 2/3 vote as required by law.

<u>It was moved by Art Slocum and seconded by Ed Roundy to adjourn the October 8, 2018 Conservation</u> <u>Commission meeting. All members voted in favor. The motion passed.</u>

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Town Land Assessments 10/1/2018 Wolfeboro Conservation Commission Wolfeboro, New Hampshire

October 1, 2018

This is a summary of my field explorations to date on tracts that are owned by the Town of Wolfeboro, and which are under the auspices of the Wolfeboro Conservation Commission.

Willey Brook M-137 L-27 53 acres

The property has had at least two timber harvests over the past 18 years. There is good regeneration on portions of the land, and the forest needs to be allowed to grow for the next 15-20 years.

Ellis Ryefield Marsh M-151 L-32, 38, 47 52+ acres

Lot #32 is 52 acres in size and **needs a forest management plan**. The tract is a beautiful red oak, hemlock, northern hardwood forest, much of which has not had any appreciable timber harvested in 40 years. Access via Meadow Road is not feasible. The prior access route used was from Bryant Road.

Trask Mountain Lot M-25 L-2 100 acres

The lower half of this tract was harvest 8 years ago. The operation was well conducted. The northwestern corner of the land has an old forest on it. There are red oak and sugar maple trees well over 175 years old here. There are old-growth attributes in this forest, and it should be preserved. An update to the 1992 Forest Management Plan would be in order.

Clow Lot M-118 L-9 14.7 acres

This parcel is a mixed forest of hemlock/hardwood and white pine, with a 5 acre section of yellow birch poles. There is no short-term need to conduct forest management activities on the parcel, although this may soon change due to the hemlock wooly adelghid's recent arrival in Wolfeboro.

Bill Rae Conservation Area M-98 L-16, 17 M-99-03 L-1, 3 62.4 acres

These lots have been recently logged. There is little mature timber left to work with on the parcels. A forest management plan is needed, although there is no hurry, as very little will be done on these parcels in the next 20 years.

Daniel Stepanauskas, NH Forester #138