

Gilmanton Conservation Commission

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Richard de Seve Chairman
Tracy Tarr Vice Chairman
Susan Hale de Seve Member
Patrick Hackley Member
Alec Carpenter Member
Diane Marden Recording Clerk

Minutes of Wednesday, June 14, 2017

Call to order: The meeting called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Chairman Dick de Seve. Those present included Members, Patrick Hackley, Alternate Member Sue Hale-de Seve, and Conservation Commission Clerk Diane Marden. Vice Chairman Tracy Tarr and Member Alec Carpenter were not present at this meeting.

Minutes of May 17, 2017

Chairman Dick de Seve instructed members to review the minutes of May 17, 2017 for errors or omissions. Minor changes to the minutes were made. Patrick Hackley made the motion to approve the minutes as amended. Alternate Member Sue Hale-de Seve seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Patrick Hackley asked the Clerk Diane Marden to forward draft minutes to his work email address and stated he believes that Vice Chairman Tracy Tarr also preferred that method. Clerk Diane Marden stated she would forward minutes to both Patrick Hackley and Tracy Tarr through their work email addresses.

Malouin Tract/Friskie Hill

Chairman Dick de Seve stated he would have to reach out to Vice Chairman Tracy Tarr relative to putting a proposal together for the Board of Selectmen to review. Mr. de Seve also needed to speak with Ms. Tarr about the time line regarding both properties.

Twigg Barn- NH Electric Co-Op

Recording Clerk Diane Marden stated the electricity has not been disconnected as of yet at the Twigg Barn because she unaware of JR Stockwell having completed his work there. Ms. Marden stated she would reach out to him, and disconnect the service to the building.

Conservation Easement/Monitoring/Stewardship

Draft Forest Management Plan for Smith Meetinghouse Town Forest

Patrick Hackley asked if anyone had any changes to make to the Draft Forest Management Plan for the Smith Meetinghouse Town Forest. No one had any changes to make. Mr. Hackley stated

he had a couple of changes to the maps, and would submit them to Ron Klemarczyk to edit the plan, and once finalized he will get a digital copy to everyone.

There was discussion about using Google docs to do a spreadsheet that everyone can put input into, and have a final document containing everyone's information. Chairman Dick de Seve stated he would check with Tracy Tarr to see if she has a digital version. Recording Clerk Diane Marden stated she would also search the files on her computer.

Master Plan Update

Chairman Dick de Seve stated Mark Fougere the Town Planner is looking for information pertaining to any questions people may have regarding updating the Master Plan. Mr. de Seve stated the Recording Clerk Diane Marden had sent out an email to everyone requesting participation. Chairman de Seve stated he would get back to the Town Planner with some of his ideas and questions.

NHDES Notifications

Chairman Dick de Seve stated NHDES received a complaint on 153 Lakeshore Drive Tax Map 131 Lot 11, for filling in the wetlands and the 50 ft. water buffer with yard waste. They are being asked to provide their comments in writing to NHDES.

Chairman de Seve stated a Shoreland Permit was requested by 399 Meadow Pond Road, and apparently their application fee will be returned as the waterbody is not a designated river, a fourth order stream or greater or a pond greater than ten acres in size.

Forester Discussion

RC Diane Marden stated she had spoken with the Town Administrator in a discussion on the Town's intent to cut's and had explained the GCC could probably refer a forester to her in the event she would need one. Patrick Hackley stated a number of Towns are hiring a consulting Foresters to consult their interests by hiring a Forester to go out to confirm they are cutting what they say they are cutting, and making sure they are properly reporting. Mr. Hackley continued to say the Town of Swanzey just sent out an RFP for a Forester, not only to do their management plans, to review the intent to cuts. If found to be overcutting they are assisted in filing a supplemental, and often educating them on how to properly report. Mr. Hackley stated that often these towns are recapturing the money, and that offsets the cost of the forester.

Costs/Budget Items

RC Clerk Marden stated a bill came in for \$380.00 for the mowing of the Christie Conservation Parcel Tax Map 128-001. Chairman Dick de Seve asked the clerk to hold off on paying this bill

until he has the opportunity to speak with VC Tarr. RC Marden stated she would contact the Trustee of Trust Funds to see if there is a Christie Conservation Easement Fund.

Planning/Zoning Board Applications

Chairman Dick de Seve inquired of the RC Diane Marden if there had been any Planning or Zoning Board applications that have come in that the board needs to be aware of. Ms. Marden stated the Middle Route Subdivision had been approved Tax Map 409-024 by the Planning Board. Ms. Marden stated a couple of boundary line adjustments have also gone through the Planning Board, but having nothing to do with any wetlands.

Correspondence/Announcements

Town of Loudon

Chairman de Seve stated the GCC has received correspondence from the Town of Loudon notifying us that the Speedway is entertaining the idea of holding concerts at their facility on Route 106. The Town of Loudon is rightfully notifying all of the surrounding communities as it does have a Regional Impact on them. This is for a site plan and change of use.

Good Morning Gilmanton Program

RC Clerk Diane Marden stated there is a new program being offered by the Police Department called "Good Morning Gilmanton". Ms. Marden stated she just wanted make members of the board aware of the program, and she has forwarded the materials and information to their emails. The board was very pleased to have this information, and thought it was a much needed service in town.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day

RC Clerk Marden also brought the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day flyer to inform the board, and had also emailed this document to them as well. It lists two dates at the bottom of the flyer Saturday, July 29, 2017 (Belmont Fire Department) and Saturday, August 5, 2017 (Laconia Public Works Department).

Harry Vogel (Loons)

Chairman de Seve stated that on July 29, 2017 at the Gilmanton Year Round Library at 6 p.m. Harry Vogel will be speaking. Mr. de Seve stated he would entertain a motion to support this event. Patrick Hackley made the motion to sponsor Harry Vogel. Sue Hale-de Seve seconded the motion. ***Motion passed 3-0.***

Motion to Adjourn

Patrick Hackley made the motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Sue Hale-de Seve seconded the motion. ***Motion passed 3-0.***


Next Meeting of the GCC

The next meeting of the Gilmanton Conservation Commission to be on Wednesday, July 12, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the upstairs meeting room in the Academy Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Marden

Attested by


Richard de Seve, GCC Chairman

APPROVED