

**TOWN OF HOLDERNESS
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes November 8, 2016**

Members Present: Larry Spencer, Jenny Evans, Anne Packard, Janet Cocchiaro, Jacquelyn Jewell, Shelagh Connelly and Ben Amsden

Members not present: Brian Gagnon

Staff Present: Nancy Decoteau, Land Use Admin Assistant

CALL TO ORDER:

L. Spencer called the meeting to order at 4:02PM. A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: "To approve the minutes of October 11, 2016 as amended."

Motion: J. Evans

Second: A. Packard

Discussion: The following correction was made to the minutes:

- a. Correct the spelling of "Chabat" to "Chabot"

Motion Passes: 5 yes – 0 No S. Connelly and B. Amsden abstained

MAIL CHECK:

L. Spencer reviewed the following items in the mail folder:

1. NH DES NOTIFICATIONS:

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| a. Complete Forestry Notification | 210-008-000 | Smith, Patrick |
| b. Notice of Incomplete Permit by Notification | 101-014-000 | Science Center |
| c. Request for more information | 239-051-000 | Morello |
| d. Shoreland Impact Permit | 102-053-000 | Renzi, Peter & Christine |

2. OTHER CORRESPONDENCE: None

3. EVENTS / MEETINGS:

- a. NH Association of Natural Resource Scientists:
Quarterly Meeting, Thursday, December 8, 2016 5:30 – 9:00 Common Man Concord
- b. NH Association of Natural Resource Scientists:
Back to Basics Soils Workshop: 12/2/16 8:30am – 3:30pm NHDES Auditorium 29 Hazen Drive

4. NEWSLETTERS/MAGAZINES : None

5. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

L. Spencer submitted an invoice to be reimbursed for the cost of materials purchased to repair picnic tables.

MOTION: "To reimburse L. Spencer the amount of \$48.77 for materials purchased to repair the picnic tables as noted on the invoice submitted."

Motion: J. Jewell

Second: B. Amsden

Discussion: None

Motion Passes: 6 – YES, 0 – NO

OLD ITEMS:

Update on visit of Anne Russell and daughters:

L. Spencer reported that he visited with A. Russell and her daughters at the Town farm property and discussed moving forward with that property.

Status of Northern Pass:

L. Spencer stated that Northern Pass is still on-going but that they did not win the Tri-state lottery and will not be receiving the additional funding.
L. Spencer stated that the Canadian province of Quebec is beginning to voice opposition to the Northern Pass project.

Status of Monitoring Reports:

J. Cocchiario asked for a copy of the previous year’s monitoring report for the Chabot property.
It was determined that she could review the files after the meeting.

Open House on Pilote and Town Forests

L. Spencer stated the open house went well and that R. Boyer, a WMNF tree ranger, attended the open house and commented that the Conservation Commission has done a good job with the recent cut and associated management of the property.

MVSB Grant Application

L. Spencer stated he submitted the application but has not heard anything to date regarding the status of the application.

NEW ITEMS:

Schedule for the Remainder of the Year:

L. Spencer noted the next meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2016.
The members reviewed the 2017 meeting schedule and determined that meetings would not be scheduled for the months of January, July and August in 2017.

Demo of On-Line Wetland Mapper & Pemi River Property Proposal / 212-005-000

L. Spencer demonstrated the on-line map program available for reference while showing the members the location of parcel 212-005-000.
L. Spencer stated that property owner E. Nabydoski requested the Conservation Commission consider purchasing the parcel.
The consensus of the Conservation Commission was to not purchase the property.
L. Spencer indicated he would follow up with E. Nabydoski

Zoning Amendment Suggestions:

L. Spencer stated that the Planning Board has asked if the Conservation Commission has proposed zoning amendments.
The Commission members discussed issues related to water testing, the regular emptying of septic tanks, reducing the use of salt on the roads in certain areas and regulation of areas adjacent to prime wetlands.
It was determined that the Conservation Commission would not propose any zoning amendments but rather communicate the concerns discussed to the Planning Board and town administration.

OTHER BUSINESS:

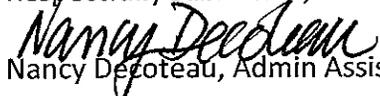
Upcoming Meetings:

- L. Spencer reviewed the following upcoming meetings with the members:
- NH Association of Natural Resource Scientists quarterly meeting 12/8/16 at the Concord Common Man 5:30 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Spencer adjourned the meeting at 5:12 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Nancy Desjardins, Admin Assistant – Land Use