

OSSIPEE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

April 13, 2016

Minutes were recorded by Laura Nash, Commission Secretary.

Revisions to these minutes are noted by ***bold/italic*** type.

Call to Order: Chair Ron Adams called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Attendee's: Ron Adams - Chairman, Ron Larrivee, Ralph Buchanan, Bruce Parsons.

Absent: Donna Gridley – Vice-Chairperson

Guests: Mark McConkey

Meeting Minutes: March 30, 2016 Minutes:

Motion: by Bruce P., seconded by Ralph B., to approve meeting minutes of March 30, 2016.

All in favor, motion passed.

1. Financial:

- NHACC – membership \$333 – received second notice. Submitted to Harry Merrow for payment on March 31, 2016.
- NH Lakes Assoc. - \$300 – In order to receive Lake Host contributions, you need to be a member. Request by Ron A. to submit for membership payment.

Motion: by Bruce P., seconded by Ralph B., to submit for payment to NH Lakes Association for membership fee.

All in favor, motion passed.

- Checking \$6,414.06 – Money Market - ?
- Saving Special Places – Reimbursement \$60 - Request by Ron A. to submit to for reimbursement of registration fee.

Motion: by Bruce P., seconded by Ron L., to submit for payment of registration fee.

All in favor, motion passed.

2. Intent to Cut:

- Map 275/14 Eleanor Mathews – Foggs Ridge Rd. – 10 of 25 acres – Tim Nolen

3. Informal Discussion:

- Mark McConkey presented initial plan to reconstruct a retaining wall which may need a wetland waiver and is looking for input from the CC. Property is on Broad Bay Rd., owner is Brown. Property has existing house. Owners will be seeking permits to destroy one house, build a new house with an elaborate shore land redevelopment permit. Owner wants to reconstruct existing retaining wall into a perch beach. Problem is regulation is a 24% slope for a perch beach. Property would have 20% slope to the retaining wall. Owner will be seeking a wetland waiver permit for this extension project.

4. DES Notices:

a. Shoreland Impact Permit

- Map 51/07 – Edward Gaj – 36 Long Sands Rd. – NH DES has approved: Impact 7,831 sq. ft. to demolish existing Nonconforming 3 bdrm. House & detach garage. Rebuild new more nearly conforming 3 bdrm. House & larger detached garage. Per Mark McConkey, Original foundation was built 1.5 ft. too high. Owner would like to cover with a small retaining wall.

Owner was advised to revise the original application to add the retaining wall. Ron A., noted NH DES has approved.

5. Old Business

- **Orphan Properties Update:** Inform Ron L. of current status. In Courts: Patent Environmental Trust, Rick Morgan was served with court papers. Attorney Generals filed with the local probate court to have the CC handle all the conservation easements of 8 lots on Nichols Rd. and 6 lots on Sawyer Rd. If no objections are filed with the court. The court will appoint the CC to handle the easements. One property on hold pending location of new owner. Ron did aerial maps of all the properties and one property looks to have a dwelling that is setback, which will need attention if the courts appoint the CC to handle the easements.
- Westward Shores Campground:
 - Inform Ron L. of current status. Ron L. questions enough room for the proposed septic systems and the flood plains. Ron A., provided update on the revised plans for WWSCG. Septic systems are currently pending state approval. Ralph B., stated every campsite will be paying a room and meals tax to the State of NH. Ron A., continued to explain the CC had provided to the PB a list of concerns to address at their meeting on 04/05/2016. Bruce confirmed the CC list and PB list were supplied to WWSCG. Laura clarified WWSCG will provide a site review on April 19, 2016 at 6:00 pm. But WWSCG has submitted a letter of continuous until the May 3, 2016 meeting to allot more time for pending decisions on their septic permits and to address PB & CC concerns. Ron A., enquired about the conservation easement for the wetlands. Laura stated WWSCG indicated it had not been addressed with them but they would review the option.
- Follow up on build-out study:
 - A letter from the PB asking for the CC to contribute to funding for the build out study was submitted prematurely. A letter from the CC to the PB asking for support will be provided to the CC Chairman for approval before submitting.
- Lake Host Program:
 - Ron L., was named contact liaison. Funding would be late but Andrea said it would be fine even though funding was supposed to be closed a month ago. Corey Lane said Connery is interested in being the intern and heading it up. Connery will be paid out of the CC town fund and about \$500.00 from the grant. Everything should be ready to go when the state finishes with the boat ramps which is due around May 18, 2016.
- Sumner Brook:
 - Ron L., questioned if there was any rebuttal to the rent increase for Sumner Brook? Ron A., stated there has been no comments. Ron L., questioned if the property was bought through sale of bonds? Per Ralph B., - Property was bought by a combination of bonds that were sold by members the CC. But they formed a separate group. The group raised that money and got matching funds from donation of properties and then got matching funds from the state of NH. All the money went to purchase the property. The Town of Ossipee indirectly bought the property through the CC. But no tax payer's funds were used and there was a clause that states: The property cannot be used for other purposes, otherwise the property would revert back to the State of NH and the sale would be null and void.

6. New Business:

- Saving Special Places Workshops:
 - The approval process for spending Town Conservation funds – RSA's are on hand, but gifts of land and money are subject to approval by local governing body (Selectmen). Purchase of land is subject to approval by the local governing body (Selectmen).

- Wildlife Action Plan: coming out with more detailed maps to be utilized for identifying wildlife in the area for grant money applications.
- Easement: Information on setting up, entire process.

7. Informational:

- Ltr received from Hornby Family Realty Trust concerning Map 31 Lot 33 (Ethan Hugo)

8. Other business:

- LRPC Commission Meeting -
- Granite State Future project results
- Eversource Newsletter
- Tim Otterbach – Need contact info for Selectmen's

9. Adjournment

Motion: by Ron L, seconded by Ralph B, to adjourn. **All in favor, motion passed.**

The meeting ended at 8:00 p.m.

Minutes approved by majority vote of the Commission on May 11, 2016

Ron Adams, Chairman

Next meeting date: Wednesday, May 11, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.