

TOWN OF OSSIPEE
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 12, 2015

1. **Call to Order:** 7:00 PM
2. **Members Present:** Ron Larrivee, Ron Adams, Bob Pratt.
Members Not Present: Ralph Buchanan, Charlotte Fitzgerald, Donna Gridley.
3. **Guests** – Jessie and Jessica - Sumner Brook Property Tenants, Rick Morgan, Selectmen
4. **New Business**

Bear Baiting Site - Sumner Brook Property - A guide approach the town about having a bait site on town owned property. Rick Morgan and the Conservation Commission members present feel that even though it is town owned property, Jessie and Jessica as tenants do have a say about a bait site being allowed on the property and if they are opposed to this, they need to let the Selectmen know by Monday, August 17th so the permit can be reconsidered. Ron stated with regard to bear baiting, he couldn't find a definitive copy of the easement but he talked to Lauren who monitors the easements for this area and she said the Sumner Brook Easement was probably one of the most vague easements that exists. If the bear baiting infringes on the fish hatchery business, then it would be going against the easement.

Chimney Fire - Sumner Brook Property - Rick Morgan stated Brad Harriman and Dave Senecal went to view the damage. It was noted that the wood stove and the oil furnace are using the same chimney which is not legal. It was recommended that the lining of the chimney be replaced and a separate chimney be built for wood burning. Dave Senecal also noted some wiring deficiencies. Rick provided estimates for the chimney work and stated that the town's position is they shouldn't wait on this as we are coming into heating season and they are using the chimney currently. Discussion ensued. The present chimney will be lined and hopefully the insurance will pay for it. The tenants have used wood for the past five or six years. They use maybe 70% wood/30% oil for the heating season; one year they only burned 300 gallons of fuel. Ron L and Bob thinks the Commission and town should support upgrading the wiring and the chimneys. Commission members present were in favor of having the Commission pay for lining the fuel oil chimney, and consider paying for the electrical work depending on what really needs to be upgraded, and possibly paying for a new chimney for the wood stove once the electrical bid is received. Ron A will contact Dave Senecal and ask for his guidance in getting a recommendation of who to get an estimate from for the electrical issues. If Dave Senecal would like a Commission member present during the inspection, Ron L stated he would be happy to be present. A second chimney will be pursued depending on the decision the insurance company makes about the chimney that needs to be lined.

5. **Review and Approval of July 15, 2015 Meeting Minutes** – Tabled (no quorum).
6. **Financial**
 - Saving Special Places reimbursement (Bob) – \$60 for Bob Pratt - Tabled (no quorum).
 - Maple Ridge Septic Service - \$110 – This should've been paid; perhaps they crossed in the mail.
 - Get Wild – Wildlife Encounters \$330 – Tabled (no quorum).
 - Get Wild – Fish Hatchery - 52 fish for \$260. Tabled (no quorum).
 - Get Wild - Food \$37.79. Ron A. reimbursed Ron L. \$32.00; Ron L. was in agreement with this amount.
 - \$6.00 from the sale of note cards was received.
 - Thank you from NH Fish & Game
 - GMCG – Volunteer Biological Assessment Program - Invoice for total cost for Ossipee is \$11,837 (some of this is funded by GMCG) and we budgeted \$2,300. Tabled (no quorum).
 - OCC accounts
 - Money Market: 48,567.43

- Town Monies was reviewed.

7. Intent to Cut:

- Map 230/4 – M Copithorne & N Witherell – Brownell Rd – 20 of 128 acres - William Day, Porter ME
- Map 124/15 – Beth Peddle/Cobalt properties – Rt. 16 – 2.8 of 7 acres – Varney C. Ossipee
- Map 239/1, 9-13 Map 242/2,2.1,2.3,2.6,2.8 – Bradley Leighton – Chickville - 75 of 230 acres - William Day, Porter ME
- Map 241/13 – Alyssa Valle (supplemental) – Brian Rd. – 43 of 43 acres – Frank Varney, C. Ossipee
- Map 266/17 – Carrie Hurn – Rt. 16 – 5 of 160 acres - William Day, Porter ME
- Map 243/2 & 244/1 – Downey Shea (Eastern Mat LLC) – Polly's Crossing – 200 acres of 403 – Greenleaf Products W. Ossipee
- Map 227/22 – Charles White – Dorrs Corner Rd. 25 of 27 acres – Brandon Valley C. Ossipee
- Map 231/3 & 238/2 – Peter Cook – Archers Pond Rd. – 400 of 898 acres – R. Gerard

8. Old DES Notices

- Map 44/68 – James & Patricia Burke – 72 Deer Cove Rd. - Complaint of Possible Violation – installed & maintained deck on the beach & expanded use of septic system w/o permit. 20 days to respond (June 25, 15) – Ron A. stated that Dave Senecal stated that they had a permit for the bathroom but not for the rest of the work. He has not heard any more regarding this.
- Map 132/26 – NH Northcoast Corp – Wetlands File – Project Completion Report – DES finds site in satisfactory condition.
- Map 119/21 – Lauren & Mason Gomberg – 38 Elm St. - Wetlands Fill Application Permit – Fill 2-3 yards/10 yards sand along 46 ft. shoreline – denied. Ron A. reviewed the Letter of Deficiency from DES.
- Map 55/18 - Lauren & Mason Gomberg – 38 Elm St. – removal of sand – state disapproved request.
- Map 33/32 – Andrew & Lori Ciano – 34 Remle Rd. – Complaint of Possible Violation of building retaining wall w/o permit and they had 20 days to respond (May 20) – Ron A. reviewed that they wrote to DES and wanted to know who complained. DES stated they wanted to remain anonymous. Ron A. received an email from the property owners regarding what could happen. He forwarded correspondence with the State to the Conservation Commission. Ron A. read the letter.

9. Old Business

- Munroe Ciccotelli Property Update – No update. Still waiting to hear from Ms. Ciccotelli.
- Orphan Properties – waiting for Tuftonboro
- Milfoil – No update.
- Lake Host – No update.

10. New Business

- Map 23/4 – John Haley – 2 Danville Rd. - 0.22 acre lot to donate – the Selectmen held two meetings regarding this. Ron L. reviewed the minutes of that meeting.
- Bear Baiting
- Yearly Calendar-Additions/review
- Other
- Wetlands Permit by Notification for Roland Park Boat Launch - Tabled (no quorum).

11. Informational

- GMCG Dinner/Auction Sat 8/15 at Province Lake Golf Course
- Forest Notes
- NH Forest Society Annual Meeting 9.26.15
- Woodland – Forest Foundation Org.
- Wildlines

- Tree Farmer
- NH SFI Implementation – Forestry Tour in Errol - on 9/25
- NH Association of Conservation Commissions – Annual Meeting is 11.7.15

12. Other Business – None.

13. Adjourn

Motion: by Ron A, seconded by Ron L, to adjourn. **All in favor, motion passed.**
The meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Next meeting date: September 9th, 2015

Minutes approved by majority vote of the Commission on _____

Ron Adams, Chair