

## Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes 13 October 2021

### Attendees:

**Members:** Jennifer Bland, Gregg Thibodeau, Mark Girard **Not Present:** Jim Jennison, Beverly Buxton  
**Volunteers:** Scott Travers, Robin Westcott Ungeheuer, Elizabeth (Liz) *Cubberley (introduction meeting)*

### Minutes of September 8, 2021 – *Reviewed and approved the minutes*

#### Finance-Budget – Approve Expense

- **Income**
  - Forest Maintenance Fund: \$3,904.63 (+\$0.03 interest only)
  - Conservation Land Use Fund: \$3,962.18 (+\$0.03 interest only)
- **Expense**
  - NH Association of Conservation Commissions \$250
  - *Committee agreed to spend the \$250 for this annual membership. Motion JB, 2<sup>nd</sup> MG. All approved. Gregg to coordinate payment with Kathi.*

#### Complaints, Concerns & Other Actions

- 256 Crescent Lake Road, Map 201, Lot 55? – Pending request for repairs-expansion of existing boat house.
  - *We heard from the engineer who reviewed the changes and provided overlays of the work to be conducted.*
  - *We discussed the footings' location and plan. We also discussed the impact to any existing vegetation.*
  - *Footings are located on land where the existing footing are located. No planned impact to any vegetation.*
  - *Permits are expected to be submitted approximately 1 month out, at that time Department of Environmental Services (DES) will require town conservation signoff. We will review again at that time.*
  - *At this point we did not see anything that raised a concern regarding conservation. We will wait for the DES permit process.*
- NH DES Statutory Permit by Notification (SPN) Findings – Map 241, Lot 10.1( and 10.2 Derry Hill Road
  - Posting required along with 7 other requirements by DES. No specified requirements for ConCom.
- 290 Crescent Lake Rd, Map 201 Lot 42 – Reported removal of trees within 250' of shoreline. DES investigated and determined that the trees were dead or decaying. DES made 4 recommendations regarding the owners replanting plans. No further action required.
- Keyes Hollow Road – September 25<sup>th</sup> incident. Reported by Helen Frink/Denise Stone. 2 loud booms in East Acworth. Denise Stone who lives up the road saw 2 vehicles, a Jeep and a camouflage-painted truck, drive up the road. Helen saw tracks.
  - **Action Required:** Gregg to retrieve camera images and refresh batteries.
  - **Action Required:** Jen/Gregg to post signs on Lempster side and review cameras.

#### Review Intents to Cut – 3 new permits – *ConCom found no issues with any of these intents to cut.*

- **Map 252 Lot 8 Rhoades Road;** 43 acres; Peter & Deborah Rhoades owner; Peter Rhoades logger; Acreage to cut 5; 21 MBF total along with 7 cords of cordwood.
- **Map 252 Lot 11&12 Rhoades Road;** 57 acres; Peter & Deborah Rhoades owner; Peter Rhoades logger; Acreage to cut 10; 46 MBF of varying species to be cut; 7 cords of cordwood.
- **Map 259 Lot 5 Rhoades Road;** 88 acres; Peter & Deborah Rhoades owner; Peter Rhoades logger; Acreage to cut 10; 39 MBF varying species; 7 cords of cordwood

#### New Conservation Easement Opportunity

- Kristian Fenderson: – No change; pending Kristian's discussion with a conservation lawyer. Gregg will continue to monitor.

#### Town Owned Land Recommendations

- *Board of Selectmen (BoS) decided to delay any new sales until the May 2022 timeframe.*
- Conservation commission will continue to review the properties that have not yet been assessed. Group to determine next lots to review. Recommendation required prior to Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 2022.
- Conservation commission to consider all Crescent Lake properties:
  - Map 201 Lot 6 (0.7 acres) – *No longer town owned*
  - Map 201 Lot 8 (4.24 acres) – *No longer town owned*
  - Map 201 Lot 36 (0.87 acres) – *No direct access to the lake. No conservation concerns with this sale.*

- Map 201 Lot 107 (1.7acres) – *This lot has one of only 2 inlets and a marsh area in which the loons nested this year (2021). We would recommend a conservation assessment of this area.*
- Map 201 Lot 108 (17acres) – *Nothing is known of this parcel. We would recommend a conservation assessment of this area.*
- *Gregg to initiate via e-mail a assessment of these lake properties and the four (4) properties that we previous had in scope (Map 206 lots 1 and 8; map 207 lots 6 and 14)*

## **2021 Monitoring**

- No changes to any assignments. See handout. Please complete monitoring by Dec 1<sup>st</sup>. Work with Gregg to submit completed monitoring.

## **Communications & Events**

- NH Association of Conservation Commissions (NHACC)
  - Annual Meeting - Saturday, November 6, 2021 8:00am-1pm via Zoom
  - 1A: HOW TOWN-OWNED LANDS CAN CONTRIBUTE TO CLIMATE SOLUTIONS
  - 2B: USING CITIZEN SCIENCE TO GROUND-TRUTH YOUR NRI

## **Other business**

- TBD

**Next Meeting:** November 10<sup>th</sup>, 7pm, Town Hall

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