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## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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**Thursday October 8, 2015**  
**7:30pm @ Community Development Department**  
**Minutes**

### Attendance

**Chairman Wayne Morris- present**

**Vice-Chairman James Finn- present**

**Ms. Pam Skinner- present**

**Mr. David Curto, alternate- present (for Lisa Ferrisi)**

**Mr. Justin Pare- present**

**Ms. Lisa Ferrisi- excused**

**Mr. Jason Rodgers, alternate- excused**

**Meeting Minutes** Review/Approve – September 15<sup>th</sup> Site Walk, September 24<sup>th</sup>  
The site walk minutes should say 5:45pm, not 6:45pm. Wayne was on telephone, not in person at the meeting; that should also be noted.

A motion was made by Mr. Pare to approve the September 15<sup>th</sup> site walk minutes with the above amendments. Seconded by Mr. Curto. 3-0-2. (Ms. Skinner and Mr. Finn abstained)

A motion was made by Mr. Pare to approve the September 24<sup>th</sup> minutes. Seconded by Mr. Curto. 4-0-1. (Ms. Skinner abstained)

David Reese, Assistant Scout Master for Troop 263 of the Boy Scouts. Mr. Reese would like to make a request to utilize a camp site in the town conservation land, Route 28 Town Forest. Troops 263 and 266 would be invited to camp on the land. Parking would be behind the Windham Animal Hospital.

**(I need to check the date for this!!!!)**

Mr. Finn made a motion to approve the Scout Camping for Troops 263 and 266. Ms. Skinner seconded. Motion passed. Vote 5-0.

### Discussion

- Campbell Farm Subcommittee

.7 acres-1.1 acres would be the minimum land that would be sold with the property. They are looking forward to selling the property with minimal acreage or maintaining it the way it is while going with curatorship. The inhabitant(s) would care for the property and maintain it as well along with some restoration efforts. A letter will be given to the Selectmen. The Board would like to see a caretaker installed before the winter months.

Clearing of brush and small trees along Kendall Pond Road costs \$1384.00. Jack McCartney has stated that the clearing for view scape had begun and the fields have also been cut.

According to Chairman Morris, The Conservation Commission has close to \$550,000 which would mean they are getting close to paying off the bond in mid-2016. They would like to have a “cushion” to pay for other things but this is very exciting news.

- Master Plan Recreation and Open Space Chapter

Kristy St. Laurent would be coordinating with Lisa Ferrisi on this chapter of the Master Plan. The section of unique concern to the Board is open space and why it is so important to have.

- Cops Hill Estates Pedestrian Right-of-Way

The developer indicated he would be out to the site to look at the location in October. It is flagged and staked all the way; this was done by the Dubai Group. This was a condition of approval. Chairman Morris plans on calling the developer to follow up tomorrow.

- 2016 Town Meeting Zoning Amendments

The concern was around WWPDP marker policy. There are a variety of methods used. The recommendation would be some kind of plastic marker or staking so that the material would last and not disintegrate. The Board has no issue with the proposal at this time. It should be noted that the stakes would need to be purchased by the Community Development Department.

There also was a suggestion of a time line for permit approvals. The Planning Board is suggesting a limit of 120 days. An extension can be made up to 14 days before the termination of approval. The Planning Board would have approval to accept or reject this. The Board has no issues with the proposal at this time.

Permeable/Porous Pavement Surface- It appears that the Planning Board is seeking to define Porous Pavement if someone is in the WWPDP. Chairman Morris suggested that the Board take a look at Mr. Guttman’s explanation of Porous Pavement. The Board has no issues at this time.

Expiration of approvals- Conditional Approvals- The Planning Board is suggesting a limit of 120 days. An extension can be made up to 14 days before the termination of approval. The Planning Board would have approval to accept or reject this. The Board has no issues at this time.

### **Technical Review Committee (TRC) – October 13<sup>th</sup> No Cases**

### **Planning Board – October 7<sup>th</sup> & October 21<sup>st</sup>**

- **Case 2015-22**, (Lot 14-B-2600,14-B- 3450 ), Major Preliminary/ Final Subdivision London Bridge South

Voted on last night. No comment needed.

- **Case 2015-23**, (Lot 17-J-104), 15 Rocky Ridge, Major Cobbetts Pond and Canobie Lake Watershed, Proposal to raze existing dwelling and construct a new dwelling.

Voted on last night. No comment needed.

- **Case 2015-24**, (Lot 17-I-111C) 23 Walkey Road, Major Cobbetts Pond and Canobie Lake Watershed Application, Proposal to raze existing dwelling and construct a new dwelling.

Voted on last night. No comment needed.

Attorney Campbell's comments have been looked at as well throughout the approval process of Highclere. Carl Dubay stated that he would be back before the Board to discuss the comments/suggestions/concerns.

### **ZBA – October 13<sup>th</sup>**

- **Case 35-2015**, (Lot 2-B-754), 29 Nottingham Road, Equitable Waiver requested on a 2.33 acre lot with an existing dwelling, to allow a 26' x 22' addition and driveway that was added in 2002 with a Building Permit, to remain completely in the WWPD, where no building or structure is allowed.

The Board has no issue at this time largely due to the length of time that has transpired since construction.

- **Case 37-2015**, (Lot 21-H-14), 19 Lake Shore Road, in Cobbetts Pond and Canobie Lake Watershed Protection District. Variance requested to construct a 2-story addition on an existing single family home, with an increase in volume from 35,238 cu ft. to 81,471 cu ft. and in increase in footprint from 1,642 sq ft to 3,624 sq. ft.

The Board has no issue at this time. However, the Board would like to know if they can put a recharge system on an existing three bedroom dwelling.

Mr. Curto has a price quote for the trail signs. There are two quotes, one for aluminum, one for plastic. The plastic would be a more economical choice. The signage could be used around town on any of the trail systems. Some of the current systems have blue square signage, yellow triangles, red and orange circles. Copies of the quote are in the file.

## **DES**

### **Misc Items –Non-Public per RSA 91-A:3 (d)**

#### Mail

Communication regarding the boat house on Canobie Lake.

A letter about the transfer of property from NH DOT to NH Fish and Game off Marblehead Road, over 200 acres. The Board's understanding was that this property would be turned over to the Conservation Commission, not NH Fish and Game. Chairman Morris indicated that he would call and this was a discussion not just regarding this property but all the mitigation lands in Windham. Communication can sometimes be difficult with the NH DOT; the Board was expressing their concern.

Chairman Morris sent a letter to Laura Scott regarding metering, this comment came after a letter was read about net metering in New Hampshire and how the cap for this process in the state was very low.

Fall Foliage Tour and Fundraiser communication.

Southeast Land Trust communication. A Fall Foliage Walk at Stone House Pond.

The Woodmeadow Estates Conservation Land was transferred to the Conservation Commission, approximately 90 acres; Chairman Morris attended the meeting that this was approved at.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:30 pm by Ms. Skinner. Seconded by Mr. Pare. Vote 5-0.

Next Meeting: October 22, 2015

Agenda items and order may be modified at the discretion of the Commission