Pembroke Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes September 9, 2019

In attendance: Ammy Heiser (Chair), Carol Bertsimas (Vice), Ayn Whytemare (Secretary), Brent Edmunds (PB Liaison), David Baril, Wendy Weisiger, Mike Crockwell (BOS Liaison). Town Planner: Carolyn Cronin

1. Call to Order @ 7:04 pm

- 2. Wetlands Regulations Discussion with Carolyn Cronin She sent us a copy of the existing wetlands ordinance (143-72) Wetlands Protection District (Attached). If we want to make changes by next town meeting, we need to start now because there are many steps. Several items have come up through the Master Plan and Natural Resource Inventory Process. She has also provided a template from the state on Wetlands Protection. Also gave us list of other towns wetland buffer requirements "cheat sheet"
 - **a. Mitigation Fee Schedule** NH DES has a wetland calculator, unknown what the "2019 Land Values" refer to. Rick VandePol suggested we identify a priority list of high quality wetlands/conservation lands we want to protect/acquire that could be eligible mitigation funds. Carolyn will find out where the "2019 Land Values" come from.
 - **b. Wetland Setbacks** a good starting place for wetland protection and is supported by a majority of the respondents of the Master Plan.
 - **c. Wetland Uses** need clarification. Allowing Recreation & Parks may be too disruptive.
 - **d. Need a work session** on this, very detailed, can't do in one meeting. Interesting to see what towns south of us that have already felt development pressures have done to retain town rural character.

3. Conservation Lands

- **a. Hillman- Biosolids** Mike Potash contacted Ammy, he has done all the things he needs to include soil testing along with NRCS. Determined that field is a low-Phosphorus runoff risk. Have presented paperwork for us to sign, which Ammy did. They will continue to test regularly (every 5 years) and let us to re-evaluate in the future if test results prove that the activity is detrimental.
- b. Poirier Need to do a baseline. Take lots of pictures, note anything of ongoing concern, if things need to be removed. Ayn moved to change name to Possible name change, to "Center Hill Conservation Area", Carol seconded. All in favor. ACTION ITEM Ayn will organize a baseline team.
- **c. Academy Road** Need a baseline. Carol moved to change the name to "Heiser Pond Conservation Area", David seconded. All in favor.

ACTION ITEM Ammy will organize baseline team

d. Pembroke Pines Ammy moved to rename the piece White Sands (as in an extension of White Sands). David seconded. All in favor.

ACTION ITEM Carol will organize a baseline team.

e. Monitoring Update White Sands being severely compromised with off-road traffic.

ACTION ITEM Ayn will make contact with Eversource and arrange a gate site meeting.

- **f.** Other Wendy noticed that Goffstown has informational sandwich board around town to educate people about recycling. Something to think about for the future.
- g. October is Tire Month Passed BOS and is set.

ACTION ITEM David will post it on our Fb page, Ayn will send him a flyer.

4. Review and Approve Minutes~

- a. **July 8**th Carol moved to accept as written, David seconded. All in favor, Ammy and Brent abstained.
- **b.** August 12th Ammy moved to accept with minor corrections. Wendy seconded. All in favor, Ayn abstained.

5. Planning Board Applications

- a. Continental Paving: Major Site Plan Application & Special Use Permit Concerns over spills of possibly toxic material, large numbers of large trucks and air quality issues. Storm water management an issue because its within our Aquifer Protection District. We would like to hear more detail to address these concerns.
- 6. DES Letters and Applications None received.

7. Land Acquisitions

a. Sixth Range Road, Lot 260-42 Can't yet purchase, has to go through town meeting.

ACTION ITEM Ammy will ask David Jodoin about actually needing town meeting approval to get this done.

8. Other Business

- a. Fourth Range and Robinson/ Flagg Road Reclassification BOS Decision Well written letter sent to us all by Ammy. BOS denied opening the road.
- **9. Mail and Correspondences** None to speak of.
- **10. Adjournment** 9:55 pm.

WORK SESSION SEPTEMBER 23RD 6:30PM NEXT REGULAR MEETING ON OCTOBER 14TH