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CONSERVATION COMMISSION – September 14, 2016 draft MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM by Chairman Fulton.

Members present: Andy Fulton, Steve Najjar, Jeff Jackson, Bill Bolton

Guest: none

1. Chairman Andy Fulton reported his observations of damage to the gate at the entrance to the Wood Family Forest from Bolton Field. The gate was apparently pulled from inside and dramatically bent by the effort. The gate still functions as the posts remained intact. Member Bill Bolton volunteered to engage the Weare Winter Wanderers in fixing the gate, as well as removing a blow down from the kiosk.
2. Mr. Fulton brought up an email received from a hiker regarding trail conditions around Ferrin Pond. Mr. Fulton expressed appreciation for the conservation land usage feedback and mentioned that he was up there recently, picked up a bit of trash (mostly at the trailhead parking), and found the trail signs interesting but subject to being worn out quickly by the elements. Vice Chairman Steve Najjar visited the area subsequent to the email and noted things were in pretty good condition and that e-signs may be the way to go to call out points of interest in the future. Member Jeff Jackson mentioned that there was a lot of ATV traffic in the neighborhood and that Ferrin trail trash is mostly limited to the east side of the pond.
3. Regarding the Trail Planning RFP status, Mr. Najjar mentioned that he had yet to hear back from the town administrator regarding request for proposal procedures. Mr. Bolton will touch base with her about it.
4. Mr. Najjar **motioned** and Mr. Bolton seconded the motion to have the Eastman Conservation Area Town Forest field on Concord Stage Road mowed, authorizing expenditure of up to \$300 from the Conservation Fund for the mowing. All voted in favor and the **motion passed**.
5. The commissioners reviewed an existing conditions plan for lot 412/202 (Remillard). They noted that the 25-foot wetlands buffer wasn't shown and there was no stamp for the wetlands delineator. The commissioners were also curious about septic setbacks.
6. Mr. Fulton reminded the commissioners of 3 ongoing projects: DOT's rebuilding of the retaining wall and culvert at Concord Stage Road and the North Branch Piscataquog, Eversource's pole replacements in Dustin Meadow conservation area, and after-the-fact wetlands permitting and restoration for the Collins Landing beach on Lake Horace.
7. The commissioners considered Glenn Dubois' annual request for trapping approval for the Wood Family Forest. Mr. Najjar motioned and Mr. Jackson seconded the motion to approve Mr. Fulton's signature of the trapping permit. All voted in favor and the motion passed. Mr. Fulton signed the permit. Mr. Najjar recommended that the chair email the Board of Selectmen regarding the commission's role as manager of the town's conservation lands, and reminding them that we should be consulted regarding use of or activities on conservation land such as driving or haying. Mr. Bolton motioned and Mr. Jackson seconded the motion to accept Mr. Dubois proposed terms of trapping

agreement. All voted in favor and the motion passed. Mr. Fulton is to forward the signed paperwork to Merry Rice for BOS consideration.

8. Additional items mentioned included MTL invoices, NHACC, and NHTOA membership renewal.

Mr. Bolton **motioned** and Mr. Jackson seconded, all voted in favor, and meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM.
Respectfully submitted,
Andrew Fulton (WCC Chair)