

Present: John McCausland, Joe Fiala, Mike Pelletier

Guests : Tom Jones and Paul Doscher, Piscataquog Land Conservancy; Brian Hotz, Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests

Meeting opened at 4:00 pm

Minutes McCausland moved, Fiala second, to approve minutes of March 10, 2015 as written. McCausland and Fiala in favor. Pelletier abstain.

Requests Tom Jones, Land Protection Specialist for the Piscataquog Land Conservancy presented a request for funding for a Conservation Easement on the Martin Family Trust Property. The lot is 51.7 acres along Dearborn Rd. (Tax map 408 Lot 44.1) The lot abuts other areas that are currently part of the PLC. Property is appraised at \$73,500. Total project cost is expected to be \$91,100. The request for funding is \$40,000 from the Emma Sawyer Trust. (Current accumulated income in the Sawyer Fund is \$131,280.) Funds will also be sought from the Mildred Hall Trust and the Conservation Commission. Fiala moved to agree to commit half the cost of the project up to \$45,000 from the Emma Sawyer Trust Fund. The actual amount will be approved pending other funding sources. Pelletier second. All in favor.

Brian Hotz of the Society for the Protection of NH Forests made a request for funding for the purpose of a Conservation Easement. This property abuts other Conservation Easements along East Rd. including the Banks/ Alma Schmid Tract purchased in May 2014 for \$540,000. The area is approximately 130 acres, which includes 20 acres containing gravel pits which will be retained for future recreation purposes. The estimated remaining unfunded cost of the project is \$24,690. McCausland moved to commit up to \$25,000 from the Emma Sawyer Trust Fund to cover expenses relating to Banks Project Phase II as outlined in the proposal. Pelletier second. All in favor.

Reports McCausland moved, Fiala second to accept the Capital Reserve Reports and reconciliations for January and February of 2015. All in favor.

Voucher Fiala moved to accept request for voucher from the Selectmen to deposit \$177,200.00 in designated capital reserve funds (\$52,200 for Fire Dept. Communications Fund, \$20,000 to Fire Equipment Fund and \$105,000 for Transfer Station Equipment Replacement Fund). Pelletier second. All in favor.

Next meeting May 11, 2015.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Joe Fiala, Secretary