

HILLSBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

March 25, 2025

Approved Minutes

Hillsborough Town Hall, 27 School St.

Chair Head called the Hillsborough Conservation Commission (HCC) meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Members present: Richard Head, Chair; James McDonough, Vice Chair; Terry Yeaton, Roger Shamel (arrived 7:05), Jim Riddle, Linda White.

Staff: John P. Segedy, Recording Secretary & Alternate; Shawna Crosby, Intern.

Public: Jack Blevins

VISITOR BUSINESS

a. Jack Blevins – Introduced himself. Said he was from Hillsborough and a student at UNH (University of New Hampshire). He needed to attend a local government meeting dealing with environmental issues as part of his course work and would be taking notes.

MINUTES

a. February 25, 2025

Richard Head suggested a wording change.

James McDonough moved: *To approve the minutes of February 25, 2025 as amended.*

Roger Shamel seconded. Motion passed 5-0-1 (Jim Riddle abstained).

CORRESPONDENCE

a. **UNH – Notice of Saving Special Places Conference.**

b. **Association of Conservation Commissions (ACC) – E-mail notification of Hampton Earth Month.** Previously received bill for dues (held until Budget passed).

Jim Riddle moved: *To authorize payment of \$300 dues to the ACC.*

Linda White seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

c. **Jerry Leksutin – Intent to Cut – Sulpher Hill Road (M 10, L 21 & 35)**

d. **NH Lakes Association – Annual Impact Report.**

f. **Town of Hillsborough Planning Department – Request for Comment – 29 Church St. (M23, L 109).** Change of Use / Waiver of Site Plan Review. The commission reviewed the application and the consensus was that they had no comment.

g. **NHPDIP (NH Public Deposit Investment Pool) – Account balance \$241,455.83.**

OLD BUSINESS

a. Trail Mapping

i. **Mapping Update** - Jim Riddle updated the Commission of progress on the mapping project Shawna Crosby has made. He reported on a Zoom meeting they had with Barbara Richter (ACC) and other grant recipients. They will be presenting information about this internship project at the ACC annual conference in November. An idea was presented about putting QR codes with maps on a kiosk at each site. Richard Head expressed concerns about that due to them being used for computer/phone hacking.

Jim Riddle and Shawna Crosby shared preliminary maps of the areas that they had hiked and gotten data from so far (Confluence Trail, Riverwalk, Meeting Hill Woods, Shedd Brook Conservation Area, and the Underpass Trail). Jim Riddle noted some potential areas that could be expanded with some trail

work and asked if it would be alright to do those. Consensus of the HCC was in the affirmative. Areas still to do are House Rock/Low Forest entrance, Farrar Marsh and the Lake Lot.

ii. **CAI Update** – Richard Head said he was waiting to hear back on getting it set up.

b. **Funding Webinar update** – Richard Head reported he had attended and that he had circulated an e-mail with links to the recording of it.

c. **Household Well Water Testing** – Richard Head reported that the Library would be willing to co-sponsor it. Richard Head will proceed to set it up. He is looking at doing it in the fall.

d. **Confluence Trail Kiosk** – John Segedy reported that the scout that had discussed this with them is no longer able to do it. Other options were discussed.

NEW OR OTHER BUSINESS

a. **Officer Elections:**

Roger Shamel nominated Richard Head for Chair.

Linda White seconded. Passed 5-0-1 (Richard Head abstained).

Richard Head nominated James McDonough for Vice-Chair.

Roger Shamel seconded. Passed 5-0-1 (James McDonough abstained).

b. **Easement Monitoring** – Philbrick Easement (67 Carter Hill Rd. (M 3, L 23). The HCC will conduct their annual easement inspection on April 13, 2025 at 10:00am. Meeting at the site. John Segedy will post.

ADJOURNMENT

Jim Riddle moved: *To adjourn.*

Roger Shamel seconded. Motion passed 6-0 at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

John P. Segedy
Recording Secretary
Approved April 8, 2025