Chichester Conservation Commission Monthly Meeting Minutes of Meeting April 11, 2019

Grange Hall, Selectmen's Office

Members Present: Bob Mann, Frank Harrison, Blaze Konefal, Dawn Marshall, Jim Eggers, Zack Boyajian,

Gordon Jones

Guests: Gail Britton-Kojigian, Charles Kojigian

Call to Order: 7:05 pm

Minutes of the meeting of 2/14/19 and 3/14/19 (public and nonpublic session) approved.

Chichester Snowmobile Trail Update

NH Trail Dawgs Trail Administrator/Director – Kevin Gagne – visited to explain trail developments and progress in planning Corridor 15 through Chichester. He coordinates efforts with the Bee Hole Beavers

Conservation Committee Bylaws Review

The current bylaws were adopted in accordance with NH RSA requirements in 2002. There is a plan to review the bylaws during the May meeting. Members of the committee should be prepared to make recommended amendments at this meeting for common discussion.

Shirley Waters Trust Fund Inquiry: Creating a trust fund with the Shirley Waters Donation Fund was denied by the NH Attorney General's Office.

Conservation Fund

Investment CD TD Bank Report: \$470.11 interest applied for March 2019. The CD expires May 4, 2019 and there was a motion passed in agreement to renew the CD for 3 months. (6 members in favor, 1 member opposed). Discussion ensued regarding conservation fund use for updating the Natural Resources Inventory (NRI).

Conservation Land

The committee discussed select property for sale in town to build awareness on potential stewardship.

Planning Board News

Revising the Town Master Plan will soon be discussed by the Planning Board. There will also be a discussion of making new changes to the Zoning Ordinance.

Shaw Pasture

The parking lot development plan is underway. Trees were cut and removed and plans to start construction will happen in May in conjunction with the Town Road Agent. Fish and Game grant application is in for maintenance of the field. Community work day planned, 9 am to noon, Saturday, April 13, 2019. Public is encouraged to attend!

New Development Land

Discussion on the DBU Construction Project on Dover Road. The construction site represents a minor wetland impact. As interveners, the CCC recommends flat-bottomed box culverts for the two primary wetland crossing points. In addition, the standard Zoning Ordinance wetland buffer set-backs should be adhered to consistently throughout the project. Appropriate slopes, paving surfaces, and capture of storm run-off is critical to minimize the impact on this sensitive and highly valued wetland area.

Carpenter Park: Community workday is planned for Sunday at 3 pm.

Easement Stewardship: Blaze K, is managing stewardship walks and will notify as sites are visited.

Adjourned: 9:40 pm

Next Monthly Meeting: Thursday, May 9, 2019 at 7 pm, public invited!

Approved: Nobest lomm