Chichester Conservation Commission Monthly Meeting Minutes of Meeting October 10, 2019

Grange Hall, Selectmen's Office

Members: Marianne DiTaranto, Bob Mann, Zack Boyajian (arr 7:45) Voting Alternates: Jim Eggers, Gail Britton-Kojigian, and Charles Kojigian,

Call to Order: 7:00 pm

Minutes for meeting of 9/12/19 were approved.

Mailbag

- TD Bank statement for CD balance \$254,641.97
- Dues payable letter from NHACC for \$275. Approved by unanimous vote.
- Capital Appraisal Associates report for Humphrey property, 169 Main Street.

Agenda

Shaw Pasture: Kiosk by Charlie/Gail to be installed at prepared location 10/26, 9am work day. Sign for parking area: Sign consistent with other Main St. town signs \$73 from Ould Colony Artisans, painted marine plywood, 12" x 16", wording: CHICHESTER/ SHAW PASTURE/ CONSERVATION/ AREA. Bob to order, Gail/Charlie to install, with post, backing and tamper-resistant fasteners, on town side of the stone wall. Four trees (2 ash, 1 elm, 1 pine) along wall to be felled by Magoon Tree for \$850, cut to 6' length, CCC to clean up brush at November work day.

Conservation Easement: Appraisal report received. Some discrepancies and questions regarding easement fair market value based on area comps, error on zoning minimum lot size, consideration of easement conditions such as public access. Bob will contact Capital Appraisal re these questions. Discussion about proceeding with easement purchase and need to look for grant aid. Owner and 5RCT have stated no need to rush in finalizing an easement.

NRI Update: No cost proposals received to date. Proposals expected from Moosewood Ecological and possibly Ecosystem Management. VHB has declined. Zack to extend proposal due date to November meeting, hoping for three proposals. Possible special meeting for interviews and conservation fund hearing thereafter.

Surface water quality analysis by Marianne:

Marsh Pond 8/25/19		Secchi disc 0	75 m
Depth (m)	Surface	1 meter	
DO (mg/l)	1.79	1.19	
Lynxfield Pond 1 8/25/19		Secchi disc 1.4 m	
Depth (m)	Surface	1.4 meter	3.8 meter
DO (mg/l)	5.93	4.18	0.17
Lynxfield Pond 2 8/25/19		Temp 23.6 deg C	
DO (mg/l)	5.98	4.34	0.13

Town-owned lands: Tax cards for town-owned lands to be reviewed to alert Selectmen's office to parcels which need to be retained for conservation purposes. Of special interest Map 6,Lot 11 at Lynxfield Pond as well as Whittemore parcel, off Webster Mills Rd.

2020 warrant articles and budget items for further discussion: Three ash trees to cut, salvage of demolished pole shed, rock removal and mowing at Shaw Pasture. Wetlands delineation and design of parking at Spaulding Town Forest. (Gail has attempted to obtain delineation info from Nancy Randell and Lindsay Matras). Zach expressed need for management plans so that these activities are in context. Note that F&G mowing grants commits town to wildlife management on Shaw Pasture.

Next meeting 11/11 (Note change to 2nd Monday)

Minutes by M. Ditaranto, R. Mann

Approved: 1/ Knowice