Conservation Commission October  $8^{th}\,$  2019 Meeting Minutes Draft Location: Town Hall.

Present: Mary Ann Hill, Shawn Hanson, James Kibler, Robert Wiener, Karen Ayers, Lou Gargiulo, Glenn

Schrempf, Cathy Golas

Absent: Dale Ohsberg, Nancy Roka, Bethany MacAvoy, , Paul Melanson

Guest: Jay Diener & Rayann Dione from SHEA (Seabrook Hamptons Estuary Association).

Call the meeting to order: 6:31pm

## **New Business:**

SHEA is offering services to Hampton, Hampton Falls and Seabrook to research and identify parcels of land in the Estuary or along rivers and streams that could be conserved. Jay Diener and Rayann Dione would create a list of lots and their owners of land that could be preserved. They can also create letters of interest to be sent to these land owners to determine if any of these land owners would be willing to donate their land or sell it in those cases that make sense to buy.

The commission will provide SHEA with the basic parameters ( size, location, etc ) of land that it would be interested in.

A Mr. Sanborn who own's 3 lots on the Marsh is interested in giving these lots to the Conservation Commission. S. Hanson has contacted Mr. Sanborn to complete the transfer of land to the Town. Once the most effective way to transfer the land is known. S. Hanson will contact Mr. Sanborn with the details.

Update on Clay Brook Forest Conservation Project: J. Kibler updated the group on fundraising activities and distributed a sample of the flyer the Forest Society put together. Thirty of the 50 calendars have been sold.

MaryAnn Gargiulo presented the Commission with a sample wine glass that will be another fund raiser. The wine glass has a nice Hampton Falls Conservation logo etched on it and will be sold for \$20 each. This has been a very successful fundraiser for other organizations Maryann has been a part of. Lou and Maryann Gargiulo has pledged \$500 toward purchasing the first batch of wine glasses.

## Other:

M. Hill shared trail maintenance and invasive species info she learned about at the invasive species academy she attended. She will email the pointer for where this info can be found online.

Motion: to pay the annual dues for New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions of \$275.  $1^{st}$  S. Hanson  $2^{nd}$  Mary Ann Hill all in favor.

Motion to accept the September meeting minutes as amended: 1st S. Hanson 2nd M. Hill. All in favor.

## Old Business:

new information was provided on the question of the Taylor River being dammed up at the corner of King and Drinkwater for the repair of the culvert. An email from the Town Administrator stated that the rocks had always been there and were moved back into position, and that beaver's have dammed up the river at that location. The road agent did call Glenn and spoke to him, but the information doesn't seem to match with the condition of the dam before the colver work was done. Glenn S. is hoping to get additional information on the matter at a Selectmen's meeting or other..

Meeting adjourned at 7.54pm

Minutes submitted by S.Hanson

Next Meeting: November 12th, 6:30pm Town Hall.