Conservation Commission July 14, 2020 Meeting Minutes, FINAL
Location: Town Hall
The meeting was called to order at 6:35 P.M.
Present: Mary Ann Hill, Shawn Hanson, Cathy Golas, Robert Wiener, Karen Ayers, Glenn Schrempf, Paul Melanson via Zoom
Absent: Nancy Roka, Dale Ohsberg, James Kibler, Lou Gargiulo, Selectman, Bethany McAvoy

SHEA: S. Hanson made a motion to pay our annual subscription of $100 (one-hundred) to SHEA (Seabrook-Hampton Estuary Association) for the National Estuary photo contest. M. Hill seconded. Motion passed.

Conservation Membership: M. Hill sent letters to Nancy Roka, Bethany McAvoy and Dale Ohsberg concerning their membership. Nancy Roka has requested that she be moved to alternate member, Bethany McAvoy resigned but wishes to remain on the volunteer list. No response from Dale.

MOTION: S. Hanson moved that we accept Bethany’s resignation and Nancy’s request to be changed to an alternate, and move Cathy Golas up to full member. R. Wiener seconded. Motion passed.

Raspberry Farm/Town Forest:
- Glenn reported that he has not mowed the Raspberry Farm field because of the weather.
- Extending the trail into the Town Forest was discussed. M. Hill reported on two potential trail design and building groups. One group, Trailrights, offers a free one day workshop in trail building including boardwalks over some of the wet areas. The second group is Comprehensive Trail Services. The State of NH Trails Program is a potential source of funds to finance the new trail.
- M. Hill would like to have a couple of work sessions to get rid of some of the invasive plants along the margin between the field by the pond and the woods. C. Golas and K. Ayers may know some volunteers.

Marsh Lane:
- Invasive plants in the parking area need to be removed to get a clear line for the fence. Coordinate work session with Raspberry Farm invasive work. M. Hill will propose some dates for volunteers to pick from
- M. Hill spoke with Amanda Holenbeck of SELT who reaffirmed the need for a fence on the Marsh Lane property. M. Hill contacted Central Fence & Deck on Rte. 1 about the fence. A 200 foot long chain link fence would be $3,800 for a 4 foot tall fence, or $4,200 for a 5 foot fence. A 40% deposit is required for the order. They are back logged because of Covid 19 they can't get to it until fall.
- K. Ayers will locate a surveyor to mark the line for the fence. The survey was done in 2007, but we want to be sure the line is marked correctly for the fence company.
- M. Hill will contact Mark to find out the procedures for signage for this property on Route 1.

Planning Board: S. Hanson reported on the trees that were illegally cut on Nason Road. The Owner is required by the board to plant replacement hardwood trees in the town right of way. 3-5 choices.

SHEA: Shawn reported that SHEA has received another grant for $12,000 for the estuary work. Liz Durfee of EFD Planning will present an update on the estuary management plan in August. SHEA has lost a member and needs volunteers. Anyone interested in the estuary should contact Shawn.

Story Map: C. Golas reported that she has obtained two licenses for the ArcGis program for $100. Town is being billed directly. She will forward the information to the Heritage Commission on the second license. Cathy will present a work up of the story map to the Commission for comment.

Conservation Commission handout: Finished. Will put it out when different venues open up after Covid 19.

Claybrook Forest: No report.

NRI: M. Hill and P. Melanson will finish up so members can attend Community Conservation Cohort training.

Other: We have receive an invoice from Boy Scout Troop 377 for the construction of 10 new greenhead fly traps and the deployment of 50 traps. The total bill is $1,750, of which $875 is due now. **Motion:** Shawn moved that we pay the boy scouts $875 for the traps, R. Wiener seconded. Motion passed.

Financial report: No expenditures this month. Budget Balance is $8,295.30.

Minutes: Minutes from June 9th were reviewed. S. Hanson made a motion to accept the minutes as written, Robert seconded. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn: Motion made by Shawn, Robert seconded. Passed.

The next meeting will be August 11, 2020
Meeting was adjourned at 7:50

Respectfully submitted, Mary Ann Hill