

Present: Van Webb, chairman (by Zoom), Tim Fleury, vice chairman, Ginny Gwynn, treasurer, Barbara Chalmers, Doug Hanson

Absent: Cliff Fields, Matt Hurd, Sylvia Kellner

Tim, as Vice Chair, called the meeting at Town Hall to order at 7:00 PM.

1. MINUTES

- **Motion** by Ginny to approve April minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Barbara. Vote unanimous in favor.

2. TREASURER'S REPORT

- Report: Ginny provided a written summary of the status of all accounts. She noted that the 2023 budget of \$1,500 is in our account and Planning Board contribution to cost of NRI of \$5,000 has also been transferred. Invoices previously approved have been paid. Re 2022 fund balance, Ginny reported that fund balances do not move into the next year unless a warrant article authorized this. We had about \$177 left over in 2022 which went into the general fund. Current Use change tax information is not yet available, but will inquire again at town office. Tim thanked Ginny for a great job and expressed thanks to the Planning Board for supporting the NRI financially  
**Motion** by Barbara to accept treasurer's report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Doug, Vote unanimous in favor.

3. INVOICES

- MeadowsEnd invoice 2023-1024 for \$112.50 for Apr 28 site visit, photos, and recommendation re trail wash-out at Ledge Pond: **Motion** to pay this invoice from professional services by Barbara, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Doug. Vote unanimous in favor.

4. MAIL

- 1104 Lake Ave Georges Mills, Richard Blackshaw: DES dredge permit to fix deteriorated slope to lake.
- 84 Birch Point Road: DES application approved
- 120 Marys Road, Michael Wong: seasonal dock approved by DES
- Twin Islands Campbell Trust: Dock to connect islands, DES waiting on more information.

5. VISITORS

- Chris Kessler, Gradient PLLC for Bill Meham at 43 Tilson Point Rd. Permit had been submitted for a shore permit, then DES requested resubmission as a wetland permit application. Work is replace-in-kind of deteriorated wood decks within the 50-ft buffer zone at bank top with replacement of an existing shed. **Motion** to authorize Tim to sign the application as vice-chair for Van by Ginny, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Doug. Vote unanimous in favor.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- NRI Action Plan: Ginny suggested focusing this year on items that address several key areas.
  - Build-out analysis: Ask Olivia about cost and if she can provide a sample of one? Ask Michael Marquis if this has ever been done before in town.
  - Water / sewer system expansion: Barbara will find out when Dave Bailey is meeting with Planning Bd in May to discuss this topic. **Action by Barbara**
  - Informing public about the NRI: Barbara will find out if ConCom can use town email blast for message about the NRI. Van will contact Farmers Market about a summer date at the market for a table about the NRI. Is there a summer town meeting we could be part of about the NRI? **Action Van and Barbara**
  - Regular communications with planning & zoning: Barbara commented that the monthly department heads meeting provides this.
  - What are Sunapee's existing "Low Impact Development" provisions of zoning? What could be added to supplement it?

- **Wetlands Overlay District:** Barbara noted that Scott Hazelton and Michael Marquis plan to review current town wetlands mapping and their application in the ordinance. They would like a Con Com member involved in that 2023 effort.
- **Vernal Pool mapping:** On-going volunteer effort, needed to put word out requesting volunteers. Barbara has located 7 vernal pools to date.
- **Ground water protection:** Town regulation for inspection of septic systems in lake shore zone was adopted by the Selectboard. Ginny noted that our fall hike could be an opportunity to educate the public on water quality improvement steps that all can adopt.
- **New Members:** Doug to be sworn in by town clerk. **Action by Doug**
- **View Easement at Ryder Corner Road:** Tim noted Ginsburg has not paid his share of survey costs directly to Pennyroyal Survey yet. He has no other new information to report. Van is anxious to move this forward. Tim will draft a summary of items to be included in the easement based on our earlier discussions to be provided to town attorney for drafting the document. **Action by Tim**
- **Peer Review Meeting:** Barbara reported on April meeting. Road department will be working on Lake Avenue and Jobs Creek Road in next few years to improve ditch lines, drainage structures, and then paving. A grant program to support cost of pollution reducing drainage structures is being explored for funding special types of catch basin draining to lake. Dave Bailey will be meeting with the Planning Bd in May regarding future plans for water and sewer systems.
- **NRI Map Update:** Corrected map and table have been received from Olivia. Barbara has uploaded both to our webpage and will get copies for the 3 printed NRI reports so they can be distributed to library, Planning Board and for our use at Town Hall. **Action by Barbara**
- **Update on Treehouse & QR Code for Rec Use Data:** Pending. **Action by Cliff**
- **Dewey Woods / Garnet Hill Park:** Sitewalk with Meadows end rescheduled for May 9 at 1 PM, meeting at Dewey Woods ballfield parking lot.
- **Ledge Pond Trail Erosion:** MeadowsEnd recommendations include ditching side of trail by elevating the trail with fill. We will visit on May 9 after Dewey Woods site walk. We need to keep Ausbon Sargent informed about this issue and its resolution. Tim noted there is little space to move the trail at this area due to configuration of lot boundaries.
- **NH Conservation Commission Assoc Wetland Training:** Barbara reported recent session was on wetlands identification. Remaining 2 sessions are field work and best practices for review of DES permit applications, both in Concord.
- **Ausbon Sargent Con Com Round-table:** Ginny reported only 3 in attendance so session was cancelled. Next round-table in October.
- **Town Boundary:** Tim reported that the Goshen line at end of Nutting Rd was in question and that selectmen had Pennyroyal Survey check it out.

### New Business

- Van noted high Sugar River water flows and flooding at construction site east of Lower Main -Lower Winn Rd intersection. He questioned how construction was approved in the

flood zone and why the Con Com was not asked to comment during planning stage?  
Barbara will bring this up at next department heads meeting. **Action by Barbara**

- Town Conservation Land ID Disks: Barbara reported about 40 disks have now been installed at perimeter of Dewey Woods and Garnet Hill Park land.

Reminder: [conservationcommission@town.sunapee.nh.us](mailto:conservationcommission@town.sunapee.nh.us) emails to this address are being monitored by Barbara and all emails should be copied to, if not sent out via, this address. Access is through outlook.com

Meeting adjourned 8:30 PM. Next Meeting: June 7 at 7 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Chalmers, secretary

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# Sunapee Conservation Commission - Financial Report

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	General Fund	Conservation Comm Fund	Town Forest Fund	Dewey Woods	Bartlett Fund*
12/31/2022 Ending Balance:	\$177.00	\$130,806.00	\$17,262.79	\$1,618.85	\$28,669.76
Interest- Jan 2023		5.55	\$3.66	\$0.35	
Budget approved in 3/23	\$5,300.00				
1/31/23 Ending Balance	0	\$130,811.55	\$17,266.45	\$1,619.20	\$28,669.76
Pd In FEB	UVLSRPC - Nov		-\$3,169.38		
Pd In FEB	UVLSRPC - Dec		-\$641.87		
Pd In FEB	NRI Copies	-\$285.54			
Interest		\$4.99	\$3.31	\$0.31	
2/28/23 Ending Balance	\$5,014.46	\$127,005.29	\$17,269.76	\$1,619.51	\$28,669.76
Rec'd in MAR	LAND USE Change Tax Transfer				
Interest		\$97,231.56			
Pd in MAR	NHACC mbrshp		\$6.28	\$5.40	\$0.50
Pd in MAR	Pennyroyal survey-B-A	-\$425.00			
Pd in MAR	Pennyroyal survey- view easement		-\$625.00		
		-\$862.50			
3/31/23 Ending Balance	\$4,589.46	\$222,755.63	\$17,275.16	\$1,620.01	\$28,669.76
April transactions:					
Rec'd from 2023 Budget Approval			\$1,500.00		
Rec'd from Planning transfer for NRI			\$5,000.00		
Pd in April		-\$504.00			