

Sunapee Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes date May 6, 2020

Virtual Meeting: Tim Fleury and Lela Emery present at the Town of Sunapee Town Office meeting room attending via computer: Cliff Field, Mark Reynolds, Van Webb

Also present: Andy Deegan and Anne Payeur for ASLPT

Emergency Orders read by Van Webb

Discussion on Jennings Property/Wendall Marsh – two issues; one is a hikers' complaint being accused of trespassing and two is the boats that are stored on town property. Hikers using the bridge from Lower Main Street to the marsh, which leads to the end of West Court Road, were yelled at by property owner. The hikers brought the question to the attention of the SCC Board for clarification on the path's use. There were also No Trespassing signs noted. Cliff knows the property owner Scott Flanders (who holds an agricultural easement) and had a conversation regarding the public using the bridge and making the loop. Cliff has gotten the incident cleared up and the owner knows it is ok to walk through and the No Trespassing signs have been removed. Owners know there is a right of way. Owners frustrated with human waste, theft of machinery and parking in their yard. SCC will try and do signage to raise public awareness and to be encourage public to be respectful. SCC would like the right of way defined and this should be in the interest of the town and looked into as a legal matter. Cliff will also be in touch with the owners regarding the boats on town property that the Flanders have stored there. These need to be removed as we cannot allow the public to start storing items on town property. If the boats are not removed it will need to be reported to the Town as a violation.

Question was asked by ASLPT regarding any information on the Town of Sunapee investigation of accessing the wells on Wendall Marsh. No definite answer other than researching and it is a few years out.

Cliff noted that he has been reappointed to the SCC for a three year term by the Select Board.

Van Webb stepped down as Chairman of the meeting and Tim Fleury resumed running the meeting.

The Appraisal on the Nutting Farm property has been submitted. The appraisal came in at a value of \$205,000-\$210,000. The Family has agreed on a price of \$185,000 for the easement. Subdivision has been approved by the Planning Board. ASLPT will start local fundraising with a letter to be sent by ASLPT. The funding received will offset the cost to the Town of Sunapee portion. The fundraising will take place mid summer. Still need a survey. Looking to purchase in the summer 2020.

Sale price	\$185,000	Note below is made up of some budgeted and actual #s to date.
Fundraising	1,000	
Survey	4950	
HWA I		
Title & Insurance	2,000	
Legal Review	1,000	
Stewardship	7,000	
Travel/copies	500	
Staff Time	5,000	
Recording	<u>300</u>	
	\$207,500-/+	

Due from the CC Fund \$207,500, less any fund-raising donations to purchase the easement. Cost as of 5/6/20 \$. Current Conservation Commission Fund is at \$223,000. Andy Deegan pointed out that the owners gave \$20,000 from sale price to the project is noteworthy and says a lot for the project. Tim Fleury thanks ASLPT for their work on the project and reducing their fees to help offset the costs.

Tim Fleury made the motion to approve the submitted budget for the Nutting Project. Mark Reynolds seconded the motion. All in favor: Mark Reynolds, Cliff Field, Tim Fleury, Lela Emery.

Van Webb Abstained.

Lastly just waiting on the final survey of the whole parcel and Andy Deegan will meet with the Nutting Family. Tim Fleury will be in touch regarding future Select Board meeting and information going forward with the TOS on the Nutting Project.

Cliff Field made the motion to reimburse ASLPT \$2,200 from the Conservation Commission Fund for the Appraisal by MHBC Appraisal Services on the Nutting Project. Mark Reynolds seconded the motion. All in favor: Cliff Field, Mark Reynolds, Tim Fleury, Lela Emery. Van Webb Abstained.

Cliff Field made the motion to reimburse ASLPT \$2,185 from the Conservation Commission Fund for the survey by Penny Royal Hill Land Surveying and Forestry, LLC for services on the Nutting Project. Approved by: Cliff Field, Mark Reynolds, Tim Fleury, Lela Emery. Abstained Van Webb (final surveying bill to come)

Andy Deegan reported the 6.1 acres (Olney) expansion to Webb Forest has been approved by the Attorney General. Town of Sunapee, as the primary easement holder, will need to sign merger. Owner needs to go through the lot merger process with the town which can be before or after TOS signs.

Tim Fleury will email Clayton Platt of Penny Royal Hill Land Surveyors and Forestry LLC on the status of the survey costs for the main farm/subdivision process. Budgeted \$4,950. If Lela sees Clayton she may check in with him as well on billing status. Cliff mentioned that Clayton Platt of PHRLSF has not billed the SCC for marking the Wendall Marsh parcel. This has been added to the list to review with Clayton.

Tim Fleury stepped down of acting chairman running the meeting and Van Webb is now running the remainder of the meeting as Chairman.

Andy Deegan said that they have worked with a lot of partners and the Town of Sunapee is one of their favorites.

Cliff Field made the motion to approve the SCC meeting minutes of the March 2020 meeting. Motion seconded by Mark Reynolds. All in favor: Van Webb, Tim Fleury, Mark Reynolds, Cliff Field, Lela Emery.

Treasurers report: Account balances – CC Fund \$223, 487.02

Dewey Woods \$1,610.08

Town Forest Fund \$5,218.73

Bartlett Tyler Fund \$29,090.70

Note the CC fund balance listed includes the 2020 Warrant article funding of \$55,000 which has not been collected yet. The balance will be sufficient at the time of the Nutting Project closing later in the summer.

Tim Fleury made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Cliff Field seconded the motion. All in Favor: Van Webb, Tim Fleury, Mark Reynolds, Cliff Field, Lela Emery

Mail:

Letter from Richard Green regarding Burkehaven on- going issue – Lela will scan to send to board members

Cliff Field made the motion to renew the 2020 memberships for the SCC and pay the following renewals from the Budget line item memberships as follows:

ASLPT \$500 renewal 2020

NHACC \$75.00 renewal 2020

SPNHF \$250.00 renewal 2020

Cliff Amended to reflect total dollar amount of memberships \$1,125.00 All in Favor

Tim Fleury, Mark Reynolds, Cliff Field, Van Webb, Lela Emery

All in favor: Tim Fleury, Mark Reynolds, Cliff Field, Lela Emery, Van Webb

The SCC has received a Forest Service Agreement (FSA) from Meadowsend Timberlands Ltd.(MTL) for timber harvest on Ledge Pond. Agreement/contract read out loud. The contract details cut and paste in minutes for overall final review and record in minutes since via on line meeting.

FORESTRY SERVICES AGREEMENT - Meadowsend agrees to provide forestry services for forestry management on Sunapee Town Forests

ARTICLE I Area of Work:

Work A: Timber Harvest. Implementation of forestry prescriptions for stand 1. All work will be carried out according to the 2018 approved/adopted Forest Mgmt. Plan.

ARTICLE II- Forestry services provided:

Work A: Tree Marking and Timber Sale, Timber Marketing, Permitting, Contract Compliance, Supervision, Administration and Accounting. Forestry to be performed will be in accordance will all applicable practices.

ARTICLE III- Fees: All fees for the forestry services listed above are as follows:

Work A: All fees for Timber sale:

Tree Marking - \$1.00 per ton for pulpwood/chips

\$5.00 per thousand board feet

Plus materials (paint and flagging)

Supervision and administration –

Stumpage Sales: 20% of the stumpage income

Service Sales: 12.5% of mill delivered price

All Costs of goods sold (Logging/Trucking Services) and forestry fees will be defrayed from proceeds received from the forest products harvested. These costs will be administered through the services of Meadowsend and paid directly to the logger/trucker. Costs of such logging/trucking service fees are found in the Timber Sale Agreement (agreement between landowner and logger).

No direct out-of-the-pocket expenses will be incurred by the Client. Any and all client net earning payments will be mailed on a monthly basis throughout life of job.

note: fees are charged as the wood is cut and paid, there is no out of pocket expense*

Any work completed outside of the scope of the services described above will be billed at \$75 per hour upon preapproval of client.

SCC will meet with Jeremy Turner of MLT regarding the proposed project over the summer. MLT put the timber sale out to bid? SCC will schedule a Ledge Pond Field Day to inform the public on the process and plans of the timber sale.

Tim Fleury made the motion authorizing Van Webb to sign the MLT FSA on behalf of the SCC. We require a meeting with MLT before activity takes place. Seconded by Cliff Field approved by Tim Fleury, Cliff Field, Mark Reynolds, Lela Emery, Van Webb

NHDES Approval Amy/Richard Neville, 37 Chandlers Drive, Sunapee 148/8 Mt View Lake

NHDES Approval Dana/David Swist, 41 Seven Spring Road, Sunapee 207/0021-000 Ledge Pond

NHDES Approval Pinecroft Homeowners Assoc. 55-63 Lake Sunapee 133/43-47

ASLPT Postcard membership reminder

Maps received by Laura French from MLT for the parcels kiosks: Ledge Pond, Dewey Woods, and Wendell

SCC will have the final drafts of the maps printed on non-fading material, cost not to exceed \$200. These will also be forwarded electronically to the Town so that they may be linked to the Town of Sunapee website. Notes and corrections were made on the Wendall Marsh Map. Van Webb proposed that the lower loop trail be named in honor of Bruce Jennings for all his efforts on the parcel and time in Town. SCC likes the idea note made for Laura as well as road name clarifications. SCC hopes to put up a kiosk at the Treatment Plant Road for trail identity in the fall of 2020.

Tim Fleury approved the printing and displaying of the three new maps in the kiosks with the cost not to exceed \$200. Seconded by Cliff Field. All in favor Tim Fleury, Mark Reynolds, Cliff Field, Lela Emery, Van Webb.

Cliff Field made the motion to have the southern lower end loop trail on Wendell Marsh be named the Bruce Jennings Trail to honor his past ownership as suggested by Van Webb. Seconded by Mark Reynolds. All in favor Tim Fleury, Mark Reynolds, Cliff Field, Lela Emery, Van Webb.

NH Tree Farm Program Newsletter Spring 2020

NHDES Approval for Michael Hadden, 108 Lake Ave, Sunapee 0128/0073

Note Ledge Pond has a canoe chained to a tree on the town portion of the parcel.

Watch for in June: Denis Booths Docks Plus, Ice damage of crib, incomplete application unclear on status 28 Fernwood South Sunapee 012/0051