

Sunapee Conservation Commission meeting Minutes September 2, 2020

Present: Tim Fleury, Lela Emery (Town Office) Present: Cliff Field, Mark Reynolds, Jeremy Turner MTL and Andy Deegan  
ASLPT via Zoom

Absent: Van Webb

Nutting Farm - Andy Deegan with ASLPT (via Zoom) project should close the end of September. Andy met with the Family and reviewed the Easement terms and the family requested a copy of the document and will pursue having their attorney review it. Last item is the Title then all done. Tim said that the SCC will need advance notice for the check (with details) to give the TOS time to prepare it.

Ledge Pond - Jeremy Turner MTL present via Zoom presented the SCC with an overview of the Ledge Pond Timber Harvest per the Forestry Management Plan. The marking, layout, skid trail have been done on the 60 acres section. The work would be done in the winter. Jeremy will start the public notice for bidding with the details of winter work, chainsaw, skidder operation, cable yarding, and small landing to accommodate trucking. The timing of the cut to done depending on work ethic and weather should be 8 weeks. Snowmobile Club should be alerted to seek alternate routes that may be interfered by the cutting operation. SCC would like a sign on the landing explaining the process to the public, sustainable etc. SCC with Jeremy can do tours (especially for the neighbors) limited numbers due to Covid 19, If necessary two tours can be scheduled. SCC signed the Forestry Agreement/Services Contract at an earlier meeting. MTL will be overseeing all aspects of the project, bids, review of bids, put together timber sale agreements to protect Jeremy agent between TOS and Harvester, supervise and payments, criteria, cutting practice, administration, maintain reporting monthly, strategy closing winter project, get it back in good shape for the recreation use. MTL will require a performance bond in escrow incase noncompliance at project. SCC would like to be present at the public showing of the project. Timber Tax- how does the town handle? Either administer tax for the timber lower the stumpage fee or Town if tax waive the then the recipient receives more for the stumpage. Tim will ask Van to ask Donn how to handle the Timber tax. Jeremy makes final decision on operator and does not council with town. Best interest. Jeremy arranges the contract between the town and logger. SCC will have to make the arrangements. Cliff will reach out to Casey as a contact of the Lake Sunapee Snowmobile Club to create and alternate trail. Andy Deegan with ASLPT stated that ASLPT will need notification on a commercial cleaning of 30 days due to the easement on the Ledge pond Parcel. Jeremy was given the name of Barb Vaughn with the TOS to start the process and notify of the posted for public notice for the Town 2 weeks Jeremy Turner and Andy Deegan left the SCC meeting via Zoom.

**Lela Emery made the motion to approve the SCC meeting minutes for August 2020 as written. Cliff Field seconded the motion. All in favor 4. Opposed 0.**

**Cliff Field made the motion to approve the Treasurers Report as submitted. Lela Emery seconded the motion. All in Favor 4, Opposed 0.**

**Tim Fleury made the motion to reimburse Lela Emery \$25 for the Dewey Woods station sign for the kiosk. To be paid from the SCC Budget. All in favor 3, LE abstained. 0 Opposed. Lela will drop off invoice to accounts clerk @ The TOS.**

**Tim Fleury made the motion to pay \$295.86 to the Town of Sunapee Highway Department for the signage ("No Motorized wheeled Vehicles" with posts and hardware, Cliff will pick up from Lela) ordered for the SCC trails. Invoice to be paid from the SCC Budget. All in Favor 4, Opposed 0. Lela will drop off invoice to accounts clerk @ The TOS.**

Tim Fleury had the audit letter for ASLPT confirming contributions made on behalf of the TOS. The amount of \$24,710.04 matches the SCC records. **Tim Fleury made the motion that the SCC reviewed, agree and proved the information is accurate. SCC authorizes Van Webb to sign the statement letter. Cliff Field seconded the motion. All in Favor 4.**

**Opposed 0. Tim will get the letter to Van for his signature.**