

Present: Van Webb, Tim Fleury, Mark Reynolds, Ginny Gwynn, Barbara Chalmers

Absent: Matt Hurd, Terry Mattson, Cliff Fields

Guest: Doug Hanson, Greg Grigsby

Those noted above met at Town Hall, call to order at 7:00. The following was discussed:

1. MINUTES

**Motion** to approve April minutes by Mark, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim. Approved unanimously.

2. TREASURER'S REPORT

1. No treasurer's report, Mark has not received a financial report from the town.
2. Pending from April: Whereabouts and status of the \$40,000 check for 2022 warrant article funding, Mark will make inquiries at town office. **Action by Mark**
3. Pending from March: Confirmation funds allocated to expense categories can be shifted to cover category overages. **Action by Mark**
4. Pending from Jan: Shift of funds to one consolidated bank account later in year.

3. MAIL

Wetlands Board:

1. Leanne Porter Trust, 111 Garnet Hill Road: Major impact application. See Presentations - Visitors below.
2. Michael Jesanis Trust, 8 Old Norcross Road, lake wall rebuild: DES permit granted.
3. Permit by Notification: Town for 20 cu yd of sand at Georges Mills beach to replace sand washed away from 2021 storm event.
4. Robert Werge, 34 Garnet St, dock rebuild: DES permit granted.
5. Chalmers Trust, 128 Garnet St, stone wall rebuild: Denied due to untimely response, application resubmitted.
6. Compass Pt LLC, 68 Burkehaven Lane, rebuild boathouse, pending more info.
7. Possible Violation Inquiry: Evergreen Ridge LLC, Georges Mills, land at east side Rte 11 north of Trow Hill Road intersection: 100,000 sf altered wetlands with no apparent permit.

Ausbon Sargent Monitoring Reports: Reports received for Webb Dane, Harrison & Webb Forest lots, Simpson Reserve, Wright land, and Otter Pond.

4. INVOICES

- 1) MeadowsEnd invoice of \$3,500 for Ledge Pond trail work. **Motion** to approve by Tim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ginny, vote unanimous in favor. Funds to come from forest fund.  
Mark will deliver invoice to Town office for payment. **Action by Mark**

5. PRESENTATIONS - VISITORS

Doug Hanson came to talk about Ledge Pond trails. He reported signage and trail markers are needed. Trail arrows have since been installed, but the Kiosk map is yet to be updated. Doug offered to volunteer to help maintain trails. Van noted that this was a town liability issue in the past, but we are working to set this up this week with waiver form and work limitations. Doug was given a draft of the new trail map.

Greg Grigsby, L.A., presented DES application package for Leanne Porter Trust, 111 Garnet Hill Road, shore front parcel. A shoreland application that substantially reduces impervious area has been approved by DES. Pending is a major impact dredge & fill application that will demolish an existing 4-stall boathouse, rebuild the boathouse in the same size but shifted slightly south to within property line limits and west onto the shore, to be supported by piles and a new concrete shore wall, tree cutting, dredging inside the boathouse area, new deck on existing concrete wharf, and rebuilt of a rock crib wharf. Greg noted this is a lengthy permit application process, still under DES review, then Army Corps, and Governor & Council, among review entities. Since the boathouse is to be rebuilt in a new location, the project needs a

Sunapee ZBA variance. Greg asked for Con Com approval so that the project could go before the ZBA. **Motion:** Tim moved that the application be approved conditional on approval of the permitting agencies and that the ConCom is kept apprised of changes and additional requirements of the permit. Second by Ginny. Vote 4 in favor, 1 against.

6. OLD BUSINESS

Natural Resources Inventory (NRI): Contract and scoping document was reviewed. It was noted that local reproduction, mailing, and other incidental costs are incurred directly by the ConCom. Perhaps Olivia can provide an estimate from past NRIs. Ginny noted distribution would be mainly in electronic version. Ginny asked about a schedule and milestones for the process, Van asked for a schedule for data to be provided by the ConCom. Ginny asked how and when do we can engage the community? Van noted that after data collection it will be forming the conservation action plan that needs public input. Barbara will request that Olivia address these questions at our next meeting. NRI billings will be monthly and need to be timed to our monthly meetings for prompt review. Barbara to invite Olivia to our next meeting, either in person or by Zoom, as she thinks best. **Motion** by Ginny, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim for Van to sign the contract to spend up to \$13,000 with the Lake Sunapee Upper Valley Planning Council to update the Sunapee NRI.

Barbara will get the signed contract to Olivia. **Action by Barbara**

Japanese Knotweed Update: Ginny reported on May 9 at 9 AM at Town Hall, Doug Cygan, NH Department of Agriculture Invasive Species Coordinator will meet with interested volunteers regarding a not weed eradication demonstration on a patch at Town Hall. The Harbor Riverway is interested in partnering with the Con Com on another demonstration eradication near the farmers' market site. Getting the word out to the public will be important.

View Easement at 129 Ryder Corner Rd: Tim reported no update. Ausbon Sargent, as conservation easement holder, must be in agreement with any resolution of view easement. Their response is pending.

Town Forest at Sewer Plant site: Van reported no meeting of Con Com, Water / Sewer Dept, and Energy Committee has yet been set up but Town Manager will facilitate the meeting. Some discussion of amount of land to be removed from town forest, only the currently disturbed land in use by the plant or with additional acreage for an array. Designated area will need to be surveyed and pins established. Barbara provided a Google Earth aerial view of the 41-acre site and determined that approximately 22-acres is wetland/river, 12-acres is upland forest, 6-acres is disturbed/sewer plant and 1-acre is utility power line right-of-way. (See attachment.)

Terry needs to issue another invitation to meet. **Action by Terry**

Peer Review Meetings: Mark reported that April peer review meeting was canceled.

Ledge Pond Trails: Van reported that MeadowsEnd will build the second trail running over higher terrain later in the year. Trail arrows have been installed on the completed trails. Ginny walked the new trail yesterday and noted one wet spot and a section with a steep cross slope that may be subject to erosion, otherwise, very nice.

2022 Town Forest Rec Use Data Collection: No update on QR code sign at trailheads to document trail useage. **Action by Terri**

Rules for Town Forests: Draft was reviewed, Ginny suggested adding requirement of no new structures without approval of Con Com. **Motion** by Mark, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim to approve rules with Ginny's suggestion added. Vote: unanimous. Rules to be posted at trailhead kiosks.

Town Forest Memorials: Tim shared that the SPNHF policy on monuments and memorials is being considered for adoption by Ausbon Sargent.

Pending Old Business:

Map of Municipal Sewer – Barbara

Finalization of Con Com Overview

Removal of canoe chained at Ledge Pond: Still there, Terry will leave a note to it owner.

7. NEW BUSINESS

Ausbon Sargent Roundtable: Cliff attended April meeting, report pending. **Action by Cliff**

April Planning Board Meeting re Master Plan: Barbara reported community survey has not been sent out yet. Board met with Scott Hazelton re roads and drainage, then with Energy Committee. They planned to meet with Con Com rep at May 12 meeting, but this is not on their agenda. Barbara will contact Michael Marquis regarding this so that information regarding the NRI can be presented. **Action by Barbara**

Meeting adjourned 9:40 PM

Next Meeting: June 1 at 7 PM.

Attachment.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Chalmers, secretary

