

**Town of New Hampton  
Conservation Commission  
Minutes**

**New Hampton Town Office**  
Upstairs Meeting Room, 6 Pinnacle Hill Rd.  
May 11, 2015

Commission members present: D. Moore (Chair), R. Leroux, R. Pollack, P. Schlesinger,

The Chair opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M.

- 1) Richard Leroux, newly appointed Commissioner, was introduced.
- 2) Minutes: B. Pollack moved and P. Schlesinger seconded accept the minutes for the 4/13/2015. Vote was unanimous.
- 3) Discussion of recently walked properties:
  - a) Glines Memorial Forest: Property is a sloped wooded lot that abuts Meredith, has no access, and the bounds of the property are established by a short narrative description referring only to past or current owners of abutting properties. After a discussion of the property the following recommendations were agreed upon:
    - a. The Town should survey the property to establish accurate lot dimensions and acreage;
    - b. A forestry management plan should be developed with adherence to covenants and conservation restrictions of the deed.
    - c. To investigate the possibility of public access to the property off on Gordon Hill Rd through the public owned New Hampton Precinct property and the property of Ken Kettering.
  - b) Jackson Pond Property: a tax deed property along Jackson Pond. It is an older wooded lot which has evidence of storm damage, follows a gentle slope to the pond, and is bounded by a short narrative description referring to past or current owners of abutting properties. After a discussion of the property the following recommendations were agreed upon:
    - i. The Town should survey the property to establish accurate lot dimensions and acreage;
    - ii. A forestry management plan should be developed.
    - iii. The Town should consider conserving this property to provide public access for canoes and kayaks to the pond.
  - c) Snake River Conservation Area (SRCA): Because of the current trail development planning, the commissioners walked the Baird section of SRCA. After discussing the Baird section there was agreement on the following recommendations:

- a. Because of the fragile flora and fauna of the vernal pool and wetlands surround the pool, it was decided to revise the design of the trail.
- b. Moore would invite Erin Darrow of Right Angle Engineering to an upcoming meeting to discuss the above adjustments to the current design and the impact of these adjustments on costs.

3) It was decided that Moore would arrange walks on the following properties over the next month: Kelley-Drake, Smoke Rise, Jenness Spring, and Bald Ledge.

4) Review of an application by E. Scott Chekoulias for a concrete pad and non-seasonal permanent dock application to be place at Chapman Point on Lake Waukegan. The application was confusing and incomplete. There was no engineering drawings provide, so the exact understanding of what was requested is not clear. The RSA 483-A deals with seasonal docks and yet the application requests the building of a permanent structure. It was agreed that Moore would send a letter to DES suggesting clarification from the applicant before any recommendation from the commission.

5) New Business:

- a) Moore reported that Lakes Region Planning Commission request for New Hampton contribution for the Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee of \$200.00 was due. Schlesinger moved and Leroux seconded payment of the \$200.00.
- b) Moore reviewed an email from Barbara Lucas, Town Administrator, which she had with the Shaun Lagueux, Town Forester, about protecting apple trees at Kelley-Drake by cutting some of the surrounding trees and the possibility of a more extensive forest management plan. After discussion, it was decided to wait until June to act on this request, as we should have walked Kelley-Drake by then and a greater understanding of the work that we'll need to authorize.

6) Old Business: None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Submitted,  
D. Moore, Acting Scribe