Stratham Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes Public Session September 23, 2020

Conservation Commission Members Present: Bill McCarthy, Ana Egana, Brad Jones, Allison Knab, Bob Keating, Dan McAuliffe

Non-Members Present: Tavis Austin

Meeting Called to order @ 7:02 PM

CC minutes:

28-Aug-2020 Public and Non-Public: Ana Egana moved to approve as written; Bob Keating second – motion passed unanimously.

Mailbox:

Supply Lines Newsletter from NHDES drinking and ground water bureau – Summer 2020

New Member of CC:

Kyle Saltonstall of 61 Stratham Heights Rd has applied to become a member of the CC. Kyle is attending UNH to study sustainable agriculture.

Ana Egana moved to recommend that the BOS appoint Kyle to the CC; Dan McAuliffe second – motion passed unanimously.

2021 Budget Request:

There were two properties that came out of current use that added about \$200K to the Land Use Conservation Fund. The CC discussed whether to continue with the \$35K CIP request and decided not to include it in the 2021 request in view of the amount of money available in the Land Use Conservation Fund.

The CC decided to maintain the same budget request as was made for 2020 of \$1500 for the general budget that can be used for events like the Town Cleanup Day, and \$3500 pass through for Rain Barrels and Compost Bins.

Allison Knab moved to present a budget up to \$5000 to the BOS; Bob Keating second – motion passed unanimously.

Meeting with Park Association:

The next joint meeting with the Park Association will be in Oct.

Snowhawk Trail Management Plan:

Seth Hickey has provided feedback to Snowhawk on the first draft. Seth will provide draft to the CC for comments.

Municipal Update:

Tavis Austin requested that Dan McAuliffe cross reference the list of open space properties with the excel file that Dan created to make sure that the information matches up.

7:35 PM

Allison Knab moved to enter Non-Public Session to discuss real estate options, Dan McAuliffe second – motion passed unanimously.

8:08 PM

Dan McAuliffe moved to exit Non-Public Session and seal the minutes, Ana Egana second – motion passed unanimously.

8:08 PM

Brad Jones moved to adjourn, Dan McAuliffe Second– motion passed unanimously; Meeting adjourned

Next regular meeting scheduled for 7 PM on Wednesday, October 28th at the Municipal Center and via teleconference.

Respectfully Submitted:

Ana Egana

Serving as Secretary