Town of East Kingston Conservation Commission

Minutes of Meeting March 14, 2022 - via Zoom

The CC meeting was Called to Order at 5:00PM

Members Present: Vicki Brown, Gordon Powers, Julie Ostopchuk, Dennis Quintal

Member absent: Peter Gilligan.

The Minutes from February 14, 2022 were reviewed and approved with a minor change.

Approved. H-11-22

Correspondence:

- 1. NHPDIP Statement for the end of February Balance of \$2,086.40. Interest received \$0.03.
- 2. Citizens Bank end of February Balance for Conservation Fund \$37,995.58. Monthly Interest was \$0.29.
- 3. PREP 2021 Annual Report
- 4. An email from Jeremy Lougee of SELT to EKCC stated that the appraisal has for Carter property off of Fish Rd. (68 South Rd, Map 13 Lot 2-1) is complete. The conservation easement fair market value is \$555,000.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Barry 4H Summer Camp update: One student is interested in going. He is Tavian Renzi from 2 Forest Drive. Invoice received for \$540. Mrs. Renzi has sent a check to us for \$150. Dennis has requested a check for the remainder to be taken from our Conservation Budget. When he receives it, he'll send both for payment.
- 2. Bank Restoration: Draft Request for Proposal remains a work in progress. Plan is to solicit bids this spring. We discussed that the RFP is separate from the bid document, which is quite comprehensive and will include the state's dredge approval, photos, Jones & Beach plan, etc.
- 3. NRI: We presented our NRI to the Planning Board during their February Meeting 2-17-22. We are in hopes of the PB holding a public hearing and voting to include it as part of their proposed updated Master Plan. We reviewed and addressed a Letter addressed to the EK Planning Board requesting the public hearing; Dennis will send it to the EKPB.
- 4. NRI updates: We'll update any property changes within the document in advance of the Public Hearing, then once every 5-10 years. The master list of parcels document will be updated continuously.
- 5. Town Composting: Instead of homeowners paying Mr. Fox Composting, Julie O. recommended the win-win of a local farm. She has introduced Dennis Perkins at Hidden Hollow Farm to Shelby Stabile, our town composting lead, who will follow up.
- 6. Pollinator Pathways NH: Vicki is doing a hybrid "A Garden for Pollinators & Wildlife" program in Brentwood on Tuesday, March 15 at 7pm. Two other programs in April are listed at facebook.com/pollinatorpathwaysnh/events
- 7. EK Edition topic: We reviewed and approved a Natural Resources Inventory highlights article.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. 68 South Rd: We discussed the conservation of this 51+ acre property on South Road, and we'll meet with SELT's Jeremy Lougee to discuss options and how we can assist funding the conservation of this land. Other funding options likely include NRCS ALE and LCHIP.
- 2. Reimbursement to Vicki Brown for supplies obtained from Staples in the amount of \$71.99.
- 3. FYI The Planning Board will be reviewing a Lot Line Adjustment for Dan Bodwell. No conservation issues.
- 4. 2004 Warrant Article: We discussed the 2003 presentation and possible outreach strategies for a 2023 warrant.
- 5. EKCC Chair: We nominated and re-elected Dennis Quintal as Chair of EKCC for the next year (2022-2023).
- 6. Bank restoration donations: We agreed to establish an EKCC Project Fund to support the Powwow Bank Restoration project this year and other projects in subsequent years.

Next meeting of the Conservation Commission is Scheduled for April 11, 2022 at 5:00PM

Respectfully submitted;

Dennis G. Ouintal

Time Adjourned: 6:58PM