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HAMPDEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION Regular Meeting Minutes July 15, 2020 Town House

Approved: 09/16/2020

Meeting called to order: 7/15/2020 @ 7:00pm

Members Present: Bonnie Geromini, Chair, Ted Zebert, Judy McKinley-Brewer, Andrew Netherwood and John

Cushman

Members Absent: -None-

Invited Guests: Sherry Himmelstein, Cindi Connors

Also Present: Thom Page, Nancy Zebert

Agenda Items:

<u>Tpm West Brook II Conservation Restriction Review:</u> After the reviewing the Conservation Restriction the following motion was read by Ted:

"I move to vote to approve and grant the Conservation Restriction to the Minnechaug Land Trust, Inc., pursuant to Section 32 of Chapter 184 and Section 8C of Chapter 40 of the Massachusetts General Laws and to grant the Conservation Restriction."

Andrew seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Ted, Andrew, Bonnie, John with Judy recusing herself from the vote.

The Conservation Commission members, along with Sherry Himmelstein, then signed the Conservation Restriction and their signatures were notarized and the transaction recorded.

<u>Conway Property, South Road:</u> Bonnie had been contacted by the landowner's contractor who was questioning the directives from the Notice of Intent and Orders of Condition for the crossing and culvert. The contractor wants to change the crossing and it was suggested that he call the firm that had originally submitted the NOI and to have them review and file a New NOI. The property owner could also file an amendment before the delineation runs out.

ANRAD Site Walk: The Commissioners present discussed their availability for the site walk and agreed upon 4:30pm on Friday, July 31st to meet with the landowner and third party Peer Reviewer for the property located on Bennett Road. This will be posted as a site walk as no deliberations will take place.

General Discussion:

Ted has a neighbor who cut one tree. He will be informed that the next time he wants to do this he will need to file an RFD, (Request for Determination of Applicability) for any work performed within 200ft of the river.

The commissioners also discussed the removal of trees as it relates to the Town and Highway Department. They may ask for a quarterly RDA from the Highway Department and Tree Warden to review any tree on municipal property.

Jacob Strange, from 224 Scantic road will be advised to complete and submit an RFD. The Commission will conduct a site walk to review the RFD and those items that have been placed outside of the limit of work boundary.

Next meeting will be August 19th

With no further business, Bonnie made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Andrew, all in favor 5-0