



**Town of
BROOKLINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

Conservation Commission

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Minutes

Tuesday, February 12, 2019

Conservation Commission

Meeting Start at or about 7:00 PM

Present: Francis (Buddy) Dougherty, Chairman
Jay Chrystal, Vice-Chairman (arrived at 7:44pm)
Jordan Bailey, Member
Tom Rogers, Member
Jerry Jaworski, Alternate
Ron Olsen, Selectboard Representative

Absent: Drew Kellner, Alternate, Brendan Denehy, Alternate Selectboard Rep.
and Eric DiVirgilio, Alternate

Public Hearing

Buddy opened the public hearing “Pursuant to N.H. R.S.A. 36-A:5, the Brookline Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on February 12, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall Meeting Room. This hearing will consider the use of Land Acquisition Funds in the amount of Thirty Three Thousand One Hundred and Thirty Dollars (\$33,130) plus any associated legal and engineering costs for the acquisition of 16.518 acres from lot C-8 (owned by Pinkham, Dana and Carleen) to be added to lot C-13 (owned by the Town of Brookline).”

Jay said they have come to an agreement with Dana & Carlene Pinkham to do a lot line revision and add 16.565 acres from their Lot C-8 to the Town of Brookline’s Lot C-13. This plan will be seen by the Planning Board on February 21, 2019. Once this is approved they will be able to close on this property.

Jay made a motion to close the public hearing. Seconded by Tom. Vote yes 5-0.

Jay made a motion to authorize the purchases of 16.565 acres From Dana & Carlene Pinkham in the amount of \$33,130 plus any legal and engineering costs that maybe associated with this purchase from the Land Acquisition Fund. Seconded by Tom. Vote yes 5-0.

Comments for Planning Board on lot line adjustment Pinkham, Dan & Carlene. Lot C-8 and C-13.

The Board agreed they have no comments for the Planning Board in regards to this lot line revision plan.

Ghost Train Funds Discussion

Jay said the funds from the Ghost train race should be earmarked for the north end of the rail road bed. The Board agreed that the purchases of easement is essential for this area and that money should be held in case the opportunity arises.

Easement wording review

Jay said the wording used for the Norwak (Lot D-3-5) Easement is the best wording for the Rail Road bed Easements. It allows us to maintain a 30 foot right of way.

Jay said the wording for open Space easements should read like the one we signed off on for the Wildwood subdivision.

Lay out plan for all the Conservation Easements

Jordan said they need to compile all of the other easements that they own and put together a list so they know what they have. **Jerry** said he would help Jordan to come up with a spread sheet of Easement that are held by the Conservation Commission.

Beaver Dam at the Palmer/Bartell Rail Road Bed

Tom said they will need to look into a solution for the water back up issue due to the beavers at the Palmer area. The water is starting to erode the trail. Everything is chewed up in this area. **Jerry** said there are three large huts in the area. They just resurfaced this area last year. **Buddy** said they will go out and look at that in the spring. The Board agreed to add some sort of beaver devise in the spring to try to lower the water level.

Trail Committee Discussion

Tom said they had their first meeting. He has spoken to Wendy Newsham about joining and she would represent the Equestrian trail users and David Miller who would be representing the Mountain Bikers. He would like to nominate them both to the Trails Committee tonight. He would like to have teachers as a part of this committee but not all of them live in town. **Jerry** said they discussed using a Facebook page to communicate with the Trails Committee and using google docs that they can all review and or edit if needed. They are making progress. **Jay** suggested the Trails Committee be televised so all Brookline residents can review if they would like to.

Sawtell Road trail

Tom said he and Kevin Majeski went out and roughed in the trail at the end of Sawtell Road before the house was sold. **Jordan** said they should get some signs up before house are sold that are abutting a trail or town property.

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Tom made a motion to approve the minutes of January 8, 2019 both public and non-public as written. Jordan seconded. Vote yes 4-0.

Ghost Train

Buddy said Randy Haight with Meridian Land Services has given him plans so they can lay out where the race is and pin point exactly where the 10 mile turn around marker would be to make sure they have the correct placement.

Adjourn

Jay made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35pm. Tom seconded. Vote yes 5-0.

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Minutes submitted by Kristen Austin

Next meeting will be held on March 12, 2019