Town of Jackson Conservation Commission Minutes Regular Meeting - March 12, 2024 - 5:30PM (Unofficial Until Approved)

Present: Pam Smillie, Ben Halcyon, Richard Bennett, Mike Dufilho, Brian Byrne and Tom Seidel.

Attendees: Hank Benesh

The meeting was called to order at 5:35pm.

Approval of Minutes:

February 2024 Meeting Minutes

Ken made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as written, seconded by Brian. All approved.

Prospect Farm:

Additional Parking Sign Fabrication Reimbursement to Jackson Ski Touring

Mike made a motion to pay Jackson Ski Touring Foundation \$240 for fabricating signs to be used at Jackson Falls and Prospect Farm, \$160 to be paid from the Wentworth-Wildcat Fund and \$80 from the Baker Fund, seconded by Pam. All Approved.

Mike wanted to thank the Jackson Police Department for all of the traffic control efforts along Carter Notch Road.

Ken wanted the commission to know that the Jackson Ski Touring Foundation MOA expires this fall and a new agreement with the town will be proposed.

Jackson Falls:

Emily Benson sent an email follow up from the January meeting, FEMA has granted the state an extension for filing emergency claims until March 15.

Temporary Pathway Closure

Pending Road Weight Restrictions being lifted wood chips will be delivered to the falls at the earliest moment and the commission will coordinate spreading with a bobcat or similar equipment.

Gray's Inn:

Mike wanted to know if Jackson Grammar School could access the vernal pool behind the library. Depending on time of year poison ivy can be an issue.

Community Garden:

Nothing to Report

Wildcat River:

Ben has reached out to the VRAP coordinator for updated planning materials but has not heard back from him. There was a brief discussion on drinking well monitoring conducted by NHDES and who was responsible for monitoring the former dump. The requirements for what qualifies as a Public Water System is based on the total number of people it serves. Testing done by Granite State Analytical.

Conservation Easements:

Having issues pulling up past years executory interest history for some properties

Wetlands:

A permit by notification for a driveway culvert was reviewed.

Ken made a motion to sign off on the permit, seconded by Brian.

Dundee Community Forest:

There will be a meeting of the management board on March 20

New Business:

- -Future topics to address, Bacteria testing in Wildcat, MTB Trail at Prospect, Current Use Properties.
- -Ken asked that the next two months meetings be moved to 5 PM.

Public Comment:

There were no additional comments.

Brian made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:16pm. Tom Seconded. All approved.

Respectfully submitted by Ben Halcyon

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