

## FREEDOM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

August 15, 2017

7:00p.m. at the Freedom Town Hall

**FCC Members Present:** Paul Elie, John Roman, Sarah Tabor, Cheryl Harris, Rob Hatch, Sue Hoople (A)

**FCC Members Absent:** Alice Custard

**Others Present:** Peg Scully, Mark McConkey, Frank Lalumiere, Dr. Tony Raynes and Maurine Raynes

**Quorum:** A quorum was met with 6 members.

A quorum having been declared the meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

### Review the Meeting Minutes

**A motion was made by John, seconded by Cheryl to approve the meeting minutes dated July 18, 2017 as amended. All were in favor.**

Amendment: Quorum was met with 6 members, Ossipee Protection Fund should read Ossipee Lake Protection Fund, under Business properly presented to the Commission add an l to Chery, add an h to Sara, and DOS should read BOS.

### Business Properly Presented to the Commission

Mark McConkey came before the Board to present three applications for perched beaches. They are for the following:

Farmers Lane Association on Clover Lane

John and Ann Marie Panagiotakos on Haverhill St.

Femino Family Trust on Huckins Rd.

He handed out pictures of different rock walls and explained the difference between them.

Haverhill St. perch beach will be done with boulders on site.

Farmer's Lane Association would be using Ready Rock and the perched beach on Huckins Road would be a mix of concrete retaining walls and Ready Rock.

Mark referred to WBWD18 fact sheet from DES to answer questions regarding how the length and size of a perch beach is determined. Mark explained on page 2 of the handout it states that the beach can't be any more than 20% of the shore line frontage with a maximum provable beach width of 50 ft. and you cannot alter more than 900 square ft. Discussion ensued around the width of the perch beach the entrance and the width of the steps. There was question over the length of the shore line at Farmers Lane Association on Clover Lane.

Mark said he can't build on a slope greater than 25% Paul stated at the site visit you said it was greater than 30%. Mark said he took the time to run the numbers. Rise over run would equate to 18% from the lake to the top of the hill because it is such a long run. For the project, the slope from the tip of the

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highest point of the erosion stone to the bottom of the project is 20.17% in the drawing. Mark said the project meets slope, opening and square footage. Mark said he will present the application at next month's meeting. Paul asked if there would be any dredging, Mark said no any excavation would be above the high-water line and they will be doing at drawn down. Paul asked what the steps will be made of Mark said, the State prefers them to be temporary and made of wood so that is what they will propose. Paul asked if they will plant swales or plant berms at the top of the wall. Mark said yes, they are considering that. Paul asked how they will handle drainage water. Mark said he would look at it.

Paul asked if anyone else on the Board had any concerns. Cheryl expressed her concern with washing sand into the lake and the structure at the lower part would not be as sound because of the larger amount of water every spring. Mark explained because of the weight of the ready rock wall it does not move. He also addressed her concern about the high water.

Sarah questioned why wooden steps would be preferred over granite or cement steps. Mark explained the steps cannot extend into the water way.

Questions from the public.

Peg Scully confirmed that the perch beach for the Farmers Lane Association is using Ready Rock. Mark said yes. None of the applicants are using Rosetta stone.

Dr. Tony Raynes lives next to the property and is a part of the Farmers Lane Association and was the president when this project was proposed five or six years ago. He gave a brief history of the challenge he had with the flow of water down the hill, he went on to say somebody had put a beach in and it got washed out and the State fined them around \$600.00 for doing that. He is very concerned about the Associations stewardship toward the land, the size of the ground that will be left and he would like to have the elevation surveyed.

Paul assured everyone that when the completed application comes in, the Board will take a hard look at it according to what DES allows.

### Green Mountain Conservation

Corey from Green Mount Conservation came before the Board to update them on the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Local Source Water Protection Grant they received. One of the task in the grant is to visit or talk with businesses that have potential contamination sources (PCS'S). Freedom has 12 PCS's. Corey would like the business to take the survey and form a relationship with them so if they need any guidance regarding renovation or floor drains they have resources. Part of the grant is updating the Best Management Practices broacher. Corey left handouts and broacher drafts regarding Best Management Practices for Homeowners and Business Owners. She was wondering if anyone would know who the businesses are and if anyone would be able to take the training. Paul said they would discuss it and that the Planning Board has been talking about this as a goal for the Master Plan on the Conservation side of the house.

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### Invoices

Company: Green Mountain

Amount: \$3,000 Invoice # 43017

Re: Water quality monitoring.

**A motion was made by John, seconded by Cheryl, to approve the invoice from Green Mountain for \$3,000.00. All were in favor.**

Company: Meridian Land Services

Amount: \$1,236.17

Re: Represented the Freedom Conservation Commission in Ossipee regarding Westward Shores.

The Ossipee Lake Protection Fund is short \$10.00 to pay this bill, the Board of Selectman said to approve it and they would pick up the difference. They will also pick up any additional legal bills regarding West Ward Shores litigation out of the Town budget.

**A motion was made by John, seconded by Cheryl, to approve the invoice from Meridian Land Services for \$1,236.17. All were in favor.**

FAC Janet Johnson

Amount: 53.72

Re: Materials purchased for Mary's Mountain.

**A motion was made by John, seconded by Cheryl, to approve the invoice submitted by FAC Chair Janet Johnson for \$53.72. All were in favor.**

### Forest Advisory Committee Report

Rob updated the Board on the Stewardship Plan. A work session is planned for tomorrow night to go over the discrepancies. Between the work session and next month's FAC meeting the critique of the Stewardship Plan should be done and passed on to this Board in September. Cheryl asked if there are any copies of what is being reviewed tomorrow night. Paul will call Janet and ask her.

### Zoning Board of Appeals Procedure Update

There is a back log of ZBA applications due to applications being submitted and then submitted again for modifications. Because FCC has not been getting any hard copies, Paul suggested that Janice e-mail a copy of any ZBA applications she receives to all Board members and then put a hard copy in the FCC folder for the meeting.

### New Sub-Committee Discussion

Paul suggested that each Board member take a topic and research it and at next month's meeting give a brief synopsis of what RSA's are involved and what the Board should or should not be doing.

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The following topics were assigned:

Training- Cheryl

Large Scale Water Extraction- Rob Hatch

Intent to Cut- John

Conservation Easements- Sarah

E-Waste- Cheryl

Perch Beach- Paul

There will be a meeting in September to look at the Stewardship plan and easement for the Town Forrest. The exact time and place to be determined.

### **Westward Shores**

Paul gave an update on Westward Shores. Section 2 testing of the soils was discussed. Paul will follow-up on the soil testing.

### **Further Review of FCC Rules and Procedures**

Paul asked if everyone got a copy of the most current Bylaws Rules and Procedures and if there was anything that needed to be added or deleted.

Cheryl said at some point she would like to see something more on training for membership so there is a body of knowledge.

Discussion ensued around training. Rob gave an overview on how the Bylaws get updated or changed. He said the process is in Roberts Rules.

A motion was made by John, seconded by Cheryl, to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:32.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacy Bolduc

Recording Secretary

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