**Conservation Commission**

**Meeting Minutes of**

**11/15/23**

**PRESENT**: Tim Lovell, Steve Ungerer, Erin O’Neill, Neil Reardon, David Treat, Brent Ebner and Jim Wilkinson.

Mr. Lovell called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

**Minutes**: **Mr. Lovell made a motion to accept the minutes of 10/18/23. The motion was seconded By Mr. Wilkinson. Vote: 5-0-2 (Mr. Treat and Mr. Ebner abstain) Motion passes.**

The December meeting will be cancelled.

Mr. Lovell updated the Commission concerning the potential donation of land across from Starwood Drive. He said that there are title issues with this property.

Mr. Lovell also said that he is speaking with the owner of a 17-acre parcel that abuts conservation land about purchasing the land. It may take a warrant article in to purchase it if the owner is looking for more money than the Commission has in the land purchase fund.

**Warrant Articles**

There are seven properties that the Commission would like to put in a warrant article that would add to a conservation easement to the properties. The Commission discussed each one of the parcels.

The warrant article is as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to place a “conservation easement” on the following town-owned parcels, thereby restricting its use to wildlife conservation, water protection areas, recreational, and trail uses.

Map/Lot Location Description acreage

2/59 Kimberly Road Backlot partially wet, abuts conservation land 2.94

10/1 1 Kent Farm Road partially dry 5.92
10/8 Backlot Abuts transfer station 11.0

13/87 Faith Drive Backlot Abuts conservation land 4.23

13/118 28 Hazel Drive Commercial excavated and wet lot 6.9

6/27 Route 111 Partially wet abuts Rt. 111 1.86

19/40 Mayflower Drive Landlocked dry 5.0

**Year-end Current Use funds**

The current use parcels were briefly discussed. Several parcels came out of current use in 2023 on Endicott. Cameron Court is also in current use, but development has not yet begun. The parcel is wet, and the removal of the trees increases the amount of water on the property.

**Mr. Lovell made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Ebner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

Next meeting 1/17/24

Respectfully Submitted,

Sally Theriault, Recording Secretary