Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes January 17, 2018

PRESENT: Tim Lovell, Neil Reardon, David Treat, Brent Ebner and Bill Guest

Meeting start time 7:00pm

Minutes

The minutes from November 15, 2017 were accepted with Tim making motion.

Land Purchase Priorities

David, started with a review of his chart with prioritizing different properties in town and using the GIS system on the screen to show locations and land owner information. Bill and David reviewed the key properties and discussed the reason why we might want to approach the land owner with either a purchase or helping them put a conservation easement on the property. We discussed the committee could even offer to pay for the trust work. Several key properties that connect to large blocks of town land were given the highest recommendation. See attached chart.

Trail Mapping

Brent, reviewed the information he has been sharing with the committee over the last few weeks from his emails. Mainly the concerns about the number of trail intersections and marking them on the maps. Currently over the 3 towns there are 75 sites. Bill, brought up the concern of not going over board with markers. Brent said they needed to figure out why one mapping company quoted such a low price as compared to the other.

Final Ordinance Review

Neil, went over and explained the final draft which will be submitted to the selectman.

Moonlight Walk, Town Report, Saturday Recruiting

Tim, reaffirmed he would do the walk on 01/27 at 7pm West Rd. Committee reviewed Town Report and made changes. And Tim will be at the library this Saturday to represent the Committee to the public and hopefully recruit some new blood.

Tim, made a motion to adjourn and Brent second the motion Vote 5-0

Next meeting is 02/21/2018