Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes of June 17, 2020

PRESENT: Tim Lovell, Jim Wilkinson, Neil Reardon, Steve Ungerer and Brent Ebner

Mr. Lovell called the meeting to order at 7PM

Minutes

Mr. Lovell made a motion to accept the meeting minutes of May 20, 2020, the motion was seconded by Mr. Reardon. Vote: 5-0.

Eagle Scout Project

An Eagle Scout project was discussed in which six benches will be completed by the end of this Summer. The Commission will show the boy scout where to place the benches.

West Road trail

An individual who has the trail cross over his property was concerned about liability of the bikers that use the trail. Mr. Lovell spoke with him about liability. The property owner is still thinking about it and will let the Commission know about the continued use of the trail. His neighbor is in the same situation.

Lost Children on trails

There was an update on the lost children, who were found in the Plaistow area. Mr. Ebner was contact since he is part of the safety committee. The Fire Departments as well as Fish & Game were notified. As the Fire Department covered the area, they left arrows on the ground pointing to an exit so that the children could be found. There was a discussion on a Ranger concept. There would be designated people who know the woods well. Mileage could also be placed on the maps, which might be helpful to people. The Commission would like to make trail maps available for people but they need to determine what format they want to use.

Trail grant

There was a discussion about acquiring a Rocon machine with grant money, or to help pay for parking facilities. The grant would be 8-9K with a 20% match.

Hadley Road

The area is being developed. There is one model home that is being built along with the roadway. There will be 8 homes total.

Oak tree donation

A resident is donating an oak tree to the Conservation Commission to use for beams for bridges along the trail system. They need two16" beams for the West Road bridge. Mr. Lovell would like to widen the bridge so that a mower could pass over the bridge in order to cut the fields.

Mr. Lovell made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Reardon. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 7:40~PM.

The next meeting will be held on July 15, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted, Sally Theriault