Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes 15 August 2018

Present: David Treat, Brent Ebner, Bill Guest, Paul Carideo, Steve Ungerer

Mr. Treat called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Minutes

Mr. Treat made a motion to approve the minutes of the 18 July 2018 meeting. Mr. Ebner seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Treat made a motion to approve the minutes of the 1 August 2018 meeting, Mr. Ebner seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

West Road Donated Bench

Mr. Treat stated that the donated bench by the waterfall in the West Rd area was installed in the trail area behind Cambridge Estates.

Hadley Road Update

Mr. Treat informed the commission that due to the non-public discussion of 1 August 2018, Jim Caverly has been informed that the status of Hadley Road will not be changing.

Parking Lot Discussion

Mr. Ebner told the board he had received rough, non-binding estimates (excluding any necessary tree work) from Galileo Construction for the construction of access roads and parking lots (approximately 50'x50') at 3 potential sites:

Witcher: \$20,000 to \$30,000
Hadley: \$30,000 to \$40,000
Wajo: \$60,000 to \$70,000

Mr. Carideo stated that a 50x50 area may not exist on Witcher. Mr. Ebner said that the conservation easement from the 3 duplexes recently constructed on Central Street may allow a lot of that size.

Trail Updates

Mr. Ebner informed the commission that he has received all the trail blazes but has not had any time to begin their installation. He also stated that there are more trees down due to the recent rain.

Mr. Treat asked the commission about the Nelson Ave easement markers that were recently added during a survey by Lavelle. Mr. Ebner stated he would drive pipe for permanent markers at the bottom of the easement. Mr. Carideo states that the commission should establish a well-defined boundary - trees or a fence - to delineate the easement. Mr. Ebner stated that he has a

letter from the landowners allowing this. Mr. Treat noted that the easement should be double checked to determine if fencing or similar is permitted.

Planning Board Updates

Mr. Carideo gave a few brief updates on business before the planning board. The board will be meeting with the Cohen Foundation in the near future to discuss a master plan. There is a proposed duplex for Carriage Lane that would be accessed through Granite Village. There is also a senior housing project approved on Winchester Drive plus a few ADUs and site plans. The board has also discussed the Osgood Hill water supply issues and is still waiting on Rockingham County Planning to look at storm and groundwater regulations.

Budget Discussion

Mr. Guest stated that he would like to speak with Mr. Lovell about a long term budget plan for the Conservation commission and looking at both the long and short term expenses. Mr. Treat agreed and stated that the commission should discuss what should be in the town budget and what should come out of the trail and conversation funds.

Mr. Treat made a motion to adjourn at 7:40pm. Mr. Ebner seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The next meeting is 19 September 2018.

Respectively Submitted, Steve Ungerer