

TILTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

October 18, 2021

MINUTES

Members present: Chuck Mitchell, Chair; Helen Hanks; Bob Hardy; Paul Rushlow; Jon Scanlon;
and Kathi Mitchell

Meeting was called to order by the Chair at 7:00 p.m.

1. **Minutes** – The September minutes were reviewed. Jon made a **motion** to approve the minutes as amended, and Bob seconded the motion. All were in favor.

2. **Old Business:**
 - a) **Winnisquam Watershed Network request** - The commissioners reviewed the documentation for the request for funds for milfoil removal in the area of Jay's Marina. Bob made a **motion** to approve the expenditure of \$2250 from the Capital Reserve Improving and Maintaining Lakes Fund. Jon seconded the motion, and all were in favor.
 - b) **Silver Lake Association request-** The commissioners reviewed the documentation for the request for funds for milfoil removal on the Tilton portion of Silver Lake. Helen made a **motion** to approve the expenditure of \$3750 from the Capital Reserve Improving and Maintaining Lakes Fund. Paul seconded the motion, and all were in favor.
 - c) **Loon Project** – This will be discussed next month.
 - d) **WWN** – The Tilton Conservation Commission has become a sponsor of the WWN.
 - e) **Salmon Run mowing and weeding** – Paul Rushlow completed the mowing of tall grasses and weeds at Salmon Run. Helen made a **motion** to pay Paul for his work, and Bob seconded the motion. All were in favor. There was a discussion about mowing the area adjacent to the parking lot more frequently. Concern was expressed about the lupines that continue to grow in the area. The TCC will stake out the wildflower clusters, but will request that this section be mowed once a month in the future. The area closer to town has more wildflowers, so that area will be monitored and left unmown. The TCC will review this issue in the spring.

3. **New Business:**
 - a) **Warrant Article for the Capital Reserve Improving and Maintaining Lakes Fund** – The commissioners support this proposed warrant article for the March 2022 Town Meeting. The chair was asked to send copies to the Board of Selectmen, the Budget Committee, the Finance Director, and the town administrator.
 - b) **Foothills Foundation at Highlands MBP** – Chuck and Kathi attended a gathering at Highlands where attendees were invited to take the visioning survey for the Outdoor Recreation Master Plan for Northfield, Franklin, and Tilton. It was extremely well organized and informative. More information will be available in the future.
 - c) **NHACC Annual Meeting** – November 6 – virtual workshops – Commissioners were encouraged to sign up for workshops of interest. It was suggested that the TCC could contact presenters who work

for the state of NH to attend our meetings in the future. The chair will check to see if the sessions will be available online after the meeting.

5. Correspondence:

a) NH DOT File #2021-02926 Shoreland Permit approved for 6 Eveline Drive David Devoy

5. Other:

a) **WRTA Trail** - Chuck has been in contact with Iris Ianello of WRTA. There was a discussion about who is responsible for clearing and maintaining the trails. Information was provided that needs clarification. Chuck has been in touch with the town administrator to find answers.

b) **Issues of Concern** – There was a discussion of various and assorted issues connected with the well-being of the town of Tilton.

Helen made the **motion** to adjourn which was seconded by Paul. All were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathi Mitchell, secretary