CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF 11-19-2014

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Stoddard Conservation Commission

<u>Meeting Agenda</u>
Date: November 19, 2014
Meeting Time Start: 7:10 p.m.
Place: Town Hall
Members Present:
Geoff JonesX
Scott SemmensX
Paul CrosbyX
Brenda BryerX
Merrilee Frable

Members of public present:

Stephen McGerty

Agenda

1. NHACC follow-up

- This year's theme was **Inspiring Young Conservationists** focused on how to get more young people involved in the conservation movement while also drawing inspiration from young people doing great work.
- The workshops were informative, the food was good. All attendee thought it was excellent conference.

2. Pioneer Lake: dam update

• Geoff Jones and Paul Crosby completed cleaning out the shaft and replaced the cone. The cone was been enclosed in with fencing. A video of the completed project is posted on the Stoddard Conservation Facebook page.

1. Pioneer Lake: signage update

- Geoff Jones has been in contact with Don Healy
- Members decide that the trail junction signs will be with a rust background the arrow will be top middle.
- The trial markers will be blue diamonds for the Stoddard Rocks Main Loop trail.

2. Conservation projects:

• Shedd Hill Road property

There is piece of property for sale that is abutting the Peirce Reservation. Someone is working with the Society for the Protection of NH Forest that may be interested in purchasing it.

Island Pond Islands

The current owners of the islands in Island Pond have contacted the Monadnock Conservancy asking if they would be interested in owning the islands.

1. Shoreline Protection Act

• There have been changes in the state regulations this item need to be

on the December agenda.

2. Conservation fund:

• Geoff Jones gave a brief overview of this year's current expenses. The cost of the NHACC meeting and work on the removal of the beaver debris; was paid for with raffle revenues and a donation from Loveland Forestry. The monies appropriated at Town Meeting for the Conservation Commission will roll forward into the Conservation Fund if no other costs are incurred.

3. Other

• There was discussion about appointing an additional member to the Conservation Commission. Since there is work to be done concerning the Shoreline Protection Act and some members will not be available. It was agreed that Geoff Jones would send the necessary paperwork to the Board of Selectmen to appoint Helen Tam-Semmens to the Commission.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20

Next Meeting: December 17th, 2014, 7:00 pm @ Town Hall