NORTHFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 10, 2020

Members Present: Kevin Fife, Christina Beadle, Charlie Page, Mark Chaffee, David Kraus

Other Present: Stephanie Giovannucci

Having a quorum established Christina Beadle called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Pond Testing

Ms. Beadle reported that Eastern Analytical states the beach e-coli report is down, she will retest in August. Mr. Chaffee noted that he saw someone testing Knowles Pond this morning, Ms. Beadle confirmed the State is testing but not for e-coli. Ms. Beadle informed the Commission that UNH now has the Sandogardy Pond samples.

Conservation Corner

Commission agreed to run Dragon Fly's for August.

• Trail Update:

Mr. Page stated that he's seen a lot of kayaking on the pond and that there is a dead deer on the edge of the water where the swimming rock is. Mrs. Giovannucci will contact Fish and Game.

Mr. Page noted that the Sotir property is clear and trails are cleaned up.

Mr. Chaffee informed the Commission that it appears the Loon chick is doing well however the adults appear to be absent. He received an email Thursday from LPC that they found the male Loon tangled in fishing line at Silver Lake and appeared to be underweight and struggling. They did release him. Mr. Chaffee noted that he did receive a call today that the male has been fishing on Silver Lake and appears to be doing well. He added that the male Loon has been around for over 15 years and it would be very sad to loose him.

Signage

Mr. Chaffee finalized a mock signage for Knowles Pond utilizing the language from the ordinance. Commission discussed the ordinance changes and use of wheeled vehicles at Knowles Pond. Ms. Beadle recommended adding accept at the designated boat launch area on Knowles Pond Rd. Commission agreed.

Other Business

Mrs. Giovannucci informed the Commission that with our new Town Administrator we are starting to look into the sand pit area on Sandogardy Pond Rd as a place for 4-wheelers and dirt bikes as recommended by the Open Space Committee.

Mr. Fife noted that with the bike park closed he has seen a lot of bikers utilizing Bean Hill Rd and the properties around his.

There being no other business meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM