

**TOWN OF NORTHFIELD
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
DECEMBER 9, 2019
MINUTES**

Members Present: Kevin Fife, Sterling Blackey, Mark Chaffee, Charlie Page;
Other Present: Heidi Cole, Administrative Assistant

Having a quorum established Kevin Fife called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

1. **Minutes: Blackey/Chaffee** moved to approve the minutes of November 18, 2019 as written
Motion Passed.
2. **Conservation Corner:** The Commission agreed to draft articles related to bird feeding and ice thickness safety for ice skating/ice fishing for the January conservation corner articles.
3. **Trail Update:** Mr. Blackey stated he has been to Knowles Pond walking the trails and the back side of the pond is still open and not froze over yet. Mr. Blackey said there are also some trees down on some of the trails and that he would take care of clearing them.

Chairman Fife asked the Commission if they had any input to bring up at the open space meeting. He stated that the Town sent out surveys and most residents would like to see a dog park at Surette Park. Mr. Blackey suggested advertising on the Town website places where residents can snowshoe and hike.

4. **Other Business:** Ms. Cole provided some information about the Moose Plate Grant and the Conservation Committee Grant that was requested by Christina Beadle to see if any of the projects that the Commission has lined up would be eligible for the grants.

Mr. Page asked besides water quality testing did the Commission have any other projects on the horizon. Chairman Fife mentioned possibly seeing about purchasing property that was historic and rebuilding it back up.

Chairman Fife mentioned he had been talking to the loggers in the area, and that they are frustrated due to all the mud. Mr. Blackey agreed it is easier for logging in the winter due to the ground being frozen.

There being no other business meeting adjourned at 7:41 PM

Minutes approved on January 13, 2020