

# NORTHFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

March 22, 2017

## MINUTES

Members Present: Kevin Fife, Sterling Blackey, David Krause and Christina Beadle

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Sterling Blackey moved, seconded by Christina Beadle to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 15, 2017 as read. Motion passed.

### Blaise Property

Ken Norton, representing the Blaise Property, invited the Commission to partake in the Winnepesaukee Trail Clean-up Day on Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. This would be a good time to size out the parking area and make some decisions regarding signage and boundaries for the Blaise Property. Ken stated that the paddling community could possibly assist in raising funds for the signage and also Ken asked the Commission to let him know when the brush cutting will be taking place because, if he is free, he would like to help.

### Knowles Pond

Christina mailed a letter to the Loon contact that is located in Northfield. Christina was told that there is currently only one male loon that visits the pond, therefore, there is no nesting taking place. If the male loon comes back with another mate or if another pair is spotted then LPC will be contacted and the pair will be protected. Christina also mentioned that there is a landings turtle that resides at the pond; landings turtles are an endangered species. Christina has volunteered to make turtle crossing signs to be posted at the pond.

Kevin stated that Dylan McGuffin has offered to donate his time to remove the large pine tree; he will cut the limbs and then drop the tree. The town will clean it up after the snow melts. Once the tree is cut and cleaned up, that area would make a great spot for the Tom Wooten bench.

### Trail Update

Kevin is going to speak with Eliza regarding picking out some trails for the town use in the Sandogardy area.

### Spaulding Youth Center Property

Discussion ensued regarding the proposed Institutional zone #5; Kevin stated that he took a walk through the Spaulding Youth Center property and reported that the terrain is pretty rugged and very steep.

### Stromson Trade Company

Kevin provided the Commission with a handout from Forest Notes magazine; the article was in regards to 347 acres in Northfield that Stromson Trade Company purchased and put into Conservation Easement.

### Other

Kevin attended the roundtable that was hosted by Five Rivers. Kevin stated that the conversation was really good. There was very good representation from many NH towns.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lindsey Giunta, Secretary

*Minutes approved 4-19-2017*