

**NORTHFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OCTOBER 24, 2018
MINUTES**

Members Present: Kevin Fife Chairman, Christina Beadle, Sterling Blackey, David Krause, Charlie Page, Heather Durgin

The meeting was called to order at 7:06pm

Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2018, Motion made by Sterling Blackey/Seconded by Charlie Page. Christina Beadle stated that she would like to make the following changes in the minutes. On page 2 under Non-Permitted Uses, second sentence reads structures of any kind will be permitted, it is changed to structures of any kind will **not** be permitted. Also in the third sentence it reads fireworks, alcohol consumption, camping, tenting or structures of any kind will be permitted. It is changed to fireworks, alcohol consumption, camping, tenting or structures of any kind will **not** be permitted. **Vote 5-0 Motion Passed.**

Conservation Corner – Articles to run for the month of November are as follows:

Weeks of November 2nd and 9th: OH Deer, We're In A Rut

Weeks of November 16th, 23rd and 30th: Summer Visitors

December Article discussion, proposed articles are:

Feeding the Birds – the type of different species and what food they like.

What Has The Conservation Commission Done This Year?

Trail Update –

Knowles Pond – Some members of the Board have been out to Knowles Pond trails and noticed that in the last couple of weeks someone has had campfires in the following areas: Hemlock and Chestnut Loop

The dock to Knowles Pond will remain in place for the winter, in the spring any repairs needed will be done at that time.

Granite Mills Park – Discussion about erecting an open side pavilion.

Surette Park – It was noted that the some members of the Open Space Committee would like to have a softball field and dog park at Surette Park.

Discussion about uses of the Horse Ring at the Pines. Ice Skating was one of the ideas that was suggested.

Code Enforcement is being notified by one of the members of the Board about an issue of white water from a home on Rand Road that is being drained into a stream. Code Enforcement will look into this.

Sotir Conservation Area Stewardship/Management Plan and Ordinance Annual Review

Proposed Changes to the Management Plan include:

Under Permitted Uses: Second line where it states “from dawn until sunset” will be changed to “from dawn until dusk”.

Under Non-Permitted Uses: Second line, Insert fireworks after fires and insert alcohol consumption after camping.

In the Sotir Conservation Area Ordinance: Proposed Change is under “the following activities shall be prohibited,” #4, insert fireworks after fires and insert alcohol consumption after camping.

Other Business:

Parcel of land off of Cross Mill Road, Map R04 Lot 1, owned by PSNH, Board members looked at the lot on the map, it is a 7 acre lot along the Winnepesaukee River. Kevin Fife will be speaking to Glenn Smith, Town Administrator, about who he would contact regarding the lot.

2019 Budget

The Board will be requesting additional funding for water testing at Sandogardy Pond and continued testing for E-Coli at Knowles Pond. The proposed requested funding would be the current allotment of \$500 plus an additional \$700 for the water testing at Sandogardy Pond.

No other business.

Motion to Adjourn by David Krause/Seconded by Christina Beadle. Vote 5-0 Motion Passed.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:48 pm

Minutes approved November 21, 2018