

# MEETING MINUTES

## ALBANY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Tuesday, April 7th, 2020. 6:00 pm

Meeting was held remotely using a Polycom2 Conference Calling System

**Members present:** Cathy Ryan, Cort Hansen, Sean Wadsworth Mike Steward and Kevin Tilton. **Absent:** Paul Brown – Alternate.

Cathy called the meeting to order at 6:18 pm.

Under new business Cathy began with the discussion to approve the minutes for the 1/7/20 meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mike and with a second from Kevin the minutes for the 1/7/20 meeting were approved 5-0 by a roll call vote.

Cort reviewed the inquiry that he had received from Jason Richardson of Grandview Farm regarding expanding their area of cultivation in the field. Grandview Farm would like to use some of the field area south of the drainage ditch in the section adjacent to Rt. 16. A discussion evolved around the size of the proposed area, desired time frame, and duration and scope of the current contract. Cort offered to contact Richardson with follow up questions as well as contact Littlefield Farm to see if they had any topics or issues they wanted to address before the coming season. He also said that he would see about retrieving copies of the current lease agreement.

Cort gave a summary of the MWV Agricultural Literacy Program meeting he had attended in February. Grandview Farm is working toward having SAU#9 introduce an educational program about agriculture into the local school district as well as integrate local produce into the lunch programs in the valley schools.

Sean reviewed the NH Water & Watershed Conference he attended on 3/13/20. He highlighted the creation of the Saco Headwater Alliance which is headed by Tom Gross (also of USVLT) that has been created to gather all regional parties together to foster education about the protecting the Saco River watershed and making the area communities aware of programs and resources that can be used to create GPO, etc.

Cathy brought up the need to fill the alternate vacancy position on the Conservation Commission. She noted that she had 2 names that had be forwarded since the March town meeting, Leah Valladares and Chros Broughton Bossong. Cathy made a motion to forward to the BOS Leah Valladares's name as an alternate member. Mike seconded the motion and a vote was taken. The motion was approved by a roll call vote 5-0.

Kevin noted that the Town of Conway's road crew has marked the boundary between Conway and Albany from the Swift River to Tasker Hill Road. He said that typically, a representative from the abutting town to accompanies the boundary crew whenever boundaries are marked. Kevin offered to contact Conway's Public Works Director to offer assistance in future marking should they have any such plans.

With no public comments Cathy asked for a motion to adjourn. Mike made a motion and with a second from Kevin the meeting was adjourned at 6:57pm after a 5-0 roll call vote.

The next scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> 2020.

With no further business to address and with no public comments a motion to adjourn was made and with a second the vote was 5-0, and the meeting adjourned at 6:57 pm.

LETTER

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE

Cort Hansen, Conservation Commission Secretary.

The enclosed report contains information regarding the proposed project in the area of the Conservation Commission. It is requested that you review the same and advise the Commission of your findings.

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