GILFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes for August 10, 2021

Conference Room A and GoToMeeting Video Conference

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ATTENDANCE

On Video Conference were: no one

Present were: Chairman- Carole Hall, Vice Chairman - Lee Duncan, Regular Members, Doug Hill and Tom Drouin

Absent members were: Regular member Larry Routhier and Alternate John Goodhue

CALL TO ORDER:​ Chairman-Carole Hall called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.​

ESTABLISH A QUORUM:​ Carole Hall announced that a quorum was present.​

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by T. Drouin, seconded by D. Hill to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

APPLICATIONS

Marine Patrol - 31 Dock Road - Dredge discussion

C. Hall stated that a public hearing had been scheduled for Friday, August 13, 2021 in the Gilford town hall meeting room.

C. Hall stated that L. Routhier wasn’t able to make it, but he did email comments. He said that he’s fine with the new proposal, but that he’s still in favor of the notification of all the lake side abutters.

C. Hall apologized that she didn’t get a chance to send out the letter to the NHDES with the Committee comments from the last meeting.

There were new plans submitted and the Committee reviewed them.

L. Duncan said that they didn’t reply as to where the spoils would go.

T. Drouin stated that he spoke with T. Dunleavy and that he showed him the docks and explained that the dock on the right would be shorter than the one the left. T. Drouin stated that by going out about 30 feet more on the left side would be better than both extending out. He would like to have it stay the same on the right side, and he had no issue with the dock going out so far on the left hand side.

D. Hill said that the eastern dock should not extend any further than it is currently.

T. Drouin stated that he agreed with what J. Goodhue said previously with regard to the people on the shoreline and how they might get affected by it and not getting a chance to respond.

The members reviewed and discussed the plans.

The members discussed the fact that they wanted to make sure that all of the neighboring lake front property owners on the side were aware of the proposal. C. Hall stated that she would reach out to Britt and find out if they had been notified.

L. Duncan said that they did agree that they would notify those people.

T. Drouin said that the important points are. To notify the directly impacted neighbors on Belknap Point that we will need to know where the spoils from the dredge would go and how they would be handled and that the right pier stays the same length as it is currently.

Motion made by T. Drouin as stated above, seconded by L. Duncan. Motion carried with all in favor.

D. Hill stated that he appreciated that they did came in to discuss the initial proposal.

T. Drouin said that he was curious to see who would be at the public hearing on Friday.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Site Review

C. Hall went over the 2 items that were discussed at the meeting.

2. 48 Hedgewood Circle

L. Duncan stated that we bounced this around last year and it went on the ballot for the town to vote on it. The next-door neighbor Chris Harris wants to add a garage on his property, but needs additional land area. We’ve discussed it before, but we never took a vote on it.

D. Hill stated that he didn’t think it was a Conservation easement he thought that it was just Conservation land. It was on the warrant article and the town voted on it.

They stated that current house on 42 Hedgewood Circle is located very close to the property line.

And our trees were overhanging onto their property and so we had Tim Nolan go out and take a look it.

L. Duncan stated that part of the problem was that the pins couldn’t be located on the road side, so now we need to have a survey done. So, he’s contacted Dean Clark, DMC Surveyors to see if he could out there and located the missing pins and do the survey. There could be an issue with stuff already being on the property line like the propane tank and the shed. The owner is claiming that the property line is at the utility pole. T. Drouin said that we should wait until a survey is done before we make any decisions.

4. LSP

L. Duncan explained that they were wondering if they should dredge the marina now or wait until fall. The members thought that they should wait until fall. They will probably do a better job in the fall.

5. Other

C. Hall stated that she would be send out a letter of thanks to Peter Morrissette for everything he has done for Milfoil removal.

CORRESPONDENCE/ WORKSHOP

C. Hall went over the latest correspondence for the members.

MINUTES:

April 6, 2021 minutes

Motion made by L. Duncan, seconded by D. Hill to approve the minutes of the

April 6, 2021 meeting. Motion carried with T. Drouin abstaining.

July 20, 2021

Motion made by L. Duncan, seconded by T. Drouin to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2021 meeting. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by T. Drouin, seconded by L. Duncan to adjourn the meeting of August 10, 2021 at 8:34 pm. Motion carried with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Hart, Technical Assistant