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**REGULAR MEETING DRAFT MINUTES
NOVEMBER 2, 2017 7PM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Marcia McKenna, Ralph Lutjen, Nancy Devine, Marc Ohlson,
MEMBERS EXCUSED: Emily Bass, Josh Shackford- Selectmen's Rep., Alternates Ted Slader

OTHERS PRESENT: Land Use Administrator Colleen King

MEETING POSTED: October 25, 2017 at Madison Town Hall (upper and lower levels) and Madison and Silver Lake Post Offices.

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. McKenna called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Ohlson made a **Motion** to approve the October 5, 2017 Draft Minutes as amended; seconded by Mr. Lutjen. All Approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no public comments.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Hiking Trail Map Update: Ms. Devine reported that she started hiking some of the trails and that this will be a much bigger project than previously thought. This will remain on the December agenda.

B. Currier Property -B & M Lots: ROW Deed Restriction. No update available and Mr. Ohlson will try to get information from Robbin Rancourt for the December meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Lead Mine Road: Ms. McKenna noted that there were many trees down on Lead Mine and there was some damage to the kiosk which was constructed as an Eagle Scout project. Mrs. King spoke to Bob Boyd about the specific damage to the sign. Ms. McKenna asked that the update by Mrs. Bass regarding any mining activity on the weekends be kept on for the December agenda. Mrs. King will contact Tim Nolan about removing any fallen trees and ask for a quote. Mr. Ohlson stated that it may not be economically feasible to remove the trees.

B. Deer Trot Road (Wold Property): Mrs. King received a call about the use of Wold property as a ROW for another property owner. In May 2017, Mr Ohlson and another person approached the Board of Selectmen for permission to use the ROW as access to the property owner's land. Ms. McKenna

stated that there would be less intrusion on the row land than bringing in fill for the ditches. Mr. Ohlson will review and report at the December meeting.

C. AERIAL VIEWS OF CONSERVATION LAND: There was discussion about the need to have aerial views done for each of the Town's Conservation lands on a regular basis. Ms. McKenna stated that Green Mountain Conservation is doing aerial views for their land and thought Madison could do the same. Ms. Devine agreed that aerials are a great idea and each of the Conservation members should walk the specific properties that they oversee. Mrs. King inquired about a list of which member was assigned to each property. This will be reviewed at the January 2018 meeting.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT: None.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT: Mr. Ohlson reported on November 1, 2017 Planning Board meeting. They discussed the current Capital Improvement Plan and had working session for the 2108 Zoning Warrant Articles on Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) and the definition of "stonewalls".

ADMINISTRATION/CORRESPONDENCE:

1. 2018 Old Home Week (OHW) – Ms. King stated that a specific OHW date is needed to reserve the Wildlife Encounters. Ms. McKenna stated that the Conservation event will be Sunday August 5, 2018, immediately following the Blueberry social. Ms. King call the company inquire as to which specific animals came this year so there is no duplication for next year. There was a high level of interest in having the Medium American Alligator and the Wallaby come next year.

2. NH ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION COMMISSION – Mrs. King will be attending the NHACC on Saturday November 4, 2017 with sessions on Conservation Easements Basics, Easement Monitoring and Easement Violations. She will give an update at the December meeting. The NHACC membership dues (\$296.00) which was budgeted, was submitted for payment.

3. LOGGING IN GOODWIN-BURKE FOREST: Mrs. King reported that several check have been received for logging activity and deposited in the Forestry account.

4. COST BENEFIT OF JOINING NH LAKES: Ms. Devine inquired about the cost benefit of belonging to NH Lakes. This will be on December agenda.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be Thursday December 7, 2017 at 7 pm.

ADJOURNMENT: Ms. McKenna made a **Motion** to Adjourn; seconded by Ms. Devine: All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen King
Land Use Administrator