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MEETING MINUTES JULY 2, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marcia McKenna, Chair - Present
Marc Ohlson - Present
Ralph Lutjen - Present
Ted Slader - Present

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Nancy Devine – Excused

OTHERS PRESENT: Colleen King - Land Use Administrator, Carol Dandeneau- Madison TV Videographer, Tim Nolan – Forest Land Improvement

MEETING POSTED: June 18, 2020 Town Hall (upper and lower), Madison & Silver Lake Post Offices

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. McKenna called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The March 5, 2020 Draft Minutes will be reviewed at a future meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Ms. McKenna opened the meeting for Public Comment. Ms. McKenna closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

FORESTRY MAINTENANCE 2020 PLAN – Mr Nolan updated his summer activity as follows:

- Boundary Line painting was done this spring
- The clean-up work on Jackman Ridge trail was done this week.
- Goodwin Burke Trail & Wold Lot Goodwin-Burke Bog Trail Ms. McKenna stated that in many places it is almost impassable and asked that it be cleared with a chain saw. The fern has grown very tall and ticks are heavy. The mowing should be done in May next year.

Ms. McKenna read the email from resident Paul Kirsch about his offer to clear Goodwin Trails and gave permission. Mr. Nolan agreed that cleanup should be done on the main roads will need to be cut back next year.

- There is a new house on the log landing on Deer Trot Lane that has wood piles over the boundary lines. Bill Lord suggested that Bob Boyd should visit them and remind them that the wood is one the log landing. The yellow blazes are on the tree.
- Ms. McKenna asked about the beaver dam and extend into Black Brook Trail. There is a fire road past the log landing and it should be clearly marked. An activity for next year.
- -Timber sales are on the back burner due to the economy.

Tim will do the mowing and cleaning up of the Bog Trail and suggested waiting a few weeks.

MAPS and BIRDBOXES

- Mr. Slader gave an update on the sites where the maps where they had been available to the public - Town Hall, Library, Post Offices, Lead mine road kiosk, Nature Conservancy and Hathaway Trail. There are 150 remaining from 1000 that were printed in March 2019. There is an empty broken trail map holder before the kiosk, coming in from Lead Mine Rd and East Shore Rd. Mr Slader will remove.

This winter he was in contact with the Audubon Society; he built and donated a new trail map box.

Ms. McKenna suggested a Motion be made to purchase more maps. Ted will investigate the bulk prices.

Update on the BlueBird boxes - Last fall the Scouts cleaned out the boxes. The Scout Master would like to do this again. Ted will also look into bat houses and where to place them.

Ms. McKenna thanked whoever put the Turtle Crossing signs up on East Madison Road and every year these signs appear.

Mrs. McKenna suggested that better signage should be considered for the trails up behind the solar array near Town Hall.

Mrs. Bass reported that at the dam at the south end of the Lake, the boards are cracking and letting more water out. Mr. Lord stated that that DPW is in charge of this.

OLD BUSINESS

BARCLAY PROPERTY SIGN: If the DPW is shown where it should go, they will do it. Ms. Devine will be notified.

TREES ON WINTER ROAD UPDATE: Mr. Lutjen reported that the town will remove the stumps and the site will be a fall project. He recommended 2-3 Red-osier Dogwoods, an upright shrub with stems that become bright red in the fall. The cost is approximately \$40 each and the DPW will put down loam. **MOTION** – Mr. Lord made a **MOTION** to purchase and install 3 shrubs on Winter Road at the WW1 Memorial not to exceed \$200. And the monies coming from the GIFT Fund; Seconded by Marc Ohlson. **ALL APPROVED**.

OLD HOME WEEK: Mr. Lord reported that no decision has been made on whether to cancel activities. Mrs King reviewed the cost for the Squam Lake Science Center presentation - \$389 plus \$50 transportation. There is no cancellation fee. Ralph suggested that this year should be cancelled.

Ms. Bass made a **MOTION** to cancel the OHW Owl presentation and hike on the basis of Public Health and the Pandemic; seconded by Lutjen **All APPROVED.**

SELECTMEN'S REPORT: Mr. Lord reported that DES will not do any testing for ecoli without getting a call from the Town. SLAM had agreed to take the water samples and if needed, the town will send in for testing.

In NH Lakes, the BOS has agreed to work with NH Lakes for them to bring in their CD3 van, a solar powered, no, water, clean, drain and dry van boat cleaning station. It's available 24 hrs a day when the Lake Hosts aren't there. It will be at the boat landing for a demonstration in the 3rd week of July. The solar array is up and running and providing power to 6 buildings. There will be a fence put around the array.

Thank you to the residents of the Alexander Avenue who purchase 2 bollards and sleeves and the town will install. The bollards will prevent the illegal launching of boats. The bollards can be removed for emergency purposes. They will be removed for the winter ice-fishing. Mrs. Bass also thanked Mr. Lord have a getting things done.

GMCG need a Town rep from Madison and another person to write up the monthly report.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT: Mr Ohlson reported that 2 separate subdivision applications on Village road and Old Colony Road were reviewed last night.

ADMINISTRATIVE CORRESPONDENCE: Ms McKenna read a a letter from the BOS regarding the \$5000 approved by the Town Warrant article. The letter included instructions for a warrant article next year. She wanted to know why do they need to partition this every year. Mr. Lord confirmed with the Planning Board Chair that it was in the CIP. Mrs. King clarified that even if the line were in the CIP, the item can be removed. If the BOS remove it from the CIP, then a Warrant Article must be submitted. Mr. Lord stated that if the Conservation accounts are audited with the Town accounts, then there is no need to have accounts audited.

Mrs. King reviewed the oil program.

There will be no meeting in August.

MOTION TO ADJOURN at 8:23 pm made by Mr. Ohlson, seconded by Mrs. Bass. All Approved.

These Minutes recorded by: Colleen King

These minutes were **APPROVED** at the November 5, 2020 meeting.