Conservation Commission October 5, 2017

Memorial Building 7:00 p.m.

Note: These minutes are to be considered draft minutes until approved by the Conservation Commission.

Members Present: Bruce Allen, Marla Binzel, Ken Jacques, Daphne Klein, Cynthia Bruss (alternate), and Dick Hendl (Selectmen's Rep).

Bruce Allen opened the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Minutes: The minutes of 9/7/17 were approved as written.

Town Lots:

Members of the Commission took a walk through the Kinsley lot Sunday and discussed a possible trail. Members will go back next week to begin marking a loop trail in the back area where the large hemlocks are located.

Janet Roberts has some questions regarding the location of the trespass that the Commission has been discussing and would like Bruce to clarify things with her.

250th Celebration:

Marla updated the Commission on the most recent meeting of the committee planning the 250th events. The Commission has been asked to come up with a schedule of which months they would like to plan hikes as part of the 250th calendar. It was decided to suggest early March (maybe snowshoe), May, August and October, but to indicate to the committee that the Commission is flexible and could shift which months the hikes are held to accommodate other more fixed events. There has been interest expressed in making one of the hikes to Royal Arch. It was suggested that perhaps the Commission could ask for one time permission for a hike that would cross private property to the Arch as part of the 250th festivities. Also the committee is pursuing having Collins Park surveyed so that boundaries would be clarified before any further discussion of ideas associated with the 250th.

Budget:

The Commission has spent \$564 of the \$750 annual budget.

Zoning, Planning and Selectmen Report:

Ken Jacques indicated that the Upper Valley Regional Planning office would be used to assist the Planning Board in how best to solicit input from the public for the update of the Town's Master Plan. Dick Hendel reported that the town will only be pursuing refurbishment of the beach. Due to state regulations, any modification to the boat ramp would require one of 2 costly options, either a poured cement ramp, or the use of concrete logs.

Action Items:

Bruce will call or meet with Janet to clarify which town lots were under discussion regarding trespass.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Submitted by Marla Binzel