Conservation Commission
Memorial Building

November 4, 2015 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, Marilyn Priest, Bob Ruel, Cynthia Bruss (alternate). Also present: Jeremy Johnston and Dale Milne (Ausbon Sargent).

Bruce Allen opened the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Minutes: The minutes of 10/1/15 were approved as written.

Wetlands/Shorelands Protection:

· The committee discussed 'Version 2 of the Zoning Amendment for March 2016' which was distributed electronically to the Conservation Commission members on 11/4/15. Some concerns were raised about the inclusion of septic systems as a permitted use (Section 4.13 H). It was noted that proposed septic systems in wetlands would still require state approval through the normal review and permitting process.

·Bruce Allen reported that he has drafted a follow up letter to Sydney Pratt, which has been reviewed by Cynthia Bruss, regarding the potential violation of the Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act associated with recent land disturbance activity on his property.

Town Lots:

Kinsley lot update – The prospectus for the timber sale on the Kinsley lot that Brooks Weathers prepared was distributed to loggers and a showing of the property was held on 10/29/15. Bruce Allen reported that approximately 8-10 loggers attended the showing.

Outreach:

- · Cynthia reported that she had gone up to the Brooks lot with Emaline Keene, the KRHS student who is working on building a trail on the Brooks lot for her senior project.
- · Marilyn indicated that there hasn't been any response to the other volunteer opportunities that were listed with KRHS.
- ·Cynthia suggested that it would be a good idea to develop some volunteer projects that would be suitable for the winter, i.e. tracking wildlife at the Brooks lot. She will email Marilyn some ideas that can be distributed to the Outreach Sub-Committee.

Other Business:

Bob Ruel reminded the members that Commission elections are normally held during the December meeting.

Action Items:

- · Bruce will follow up on the nomination of Jeremy Johnston for membership on the Conservation Commission.
- · Bruce will contact Tamara to have Bob approved to send information for the CC's page on the town website.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marla Binzel