MEETING

Tilton Conservation Commission Porch at Tilton House of Pizza June 19, 2023 MINUTES

Present: Chuck Mitchell, Helen Hanks, Bob Hardy, Jim Cropsey, Ken Norton, Jon Scanlon, and Kathi

Mitchell

Guests: Matt Pudsey and Taryn Houghton

The meeting of the Tilton Conservation Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

- **1. Houghton-Pudsey Wedding:** Matt Pudsey and Taryn Houghton explained that they are being married on September 9 at their home at 155 East Main Street. They are requesting that the TCC allow them to park in the Salmon Run parking lot between the hours of 3 pm and 11 pm. There will be a person on the site to assist with parking, and no cars will be allowed to park along Laconia Road/Route 3. The TCC indicated that they would allow this, provided that one handicapped spot and one parking space be marked and left clear for anyone wishing to use the trail. The TCC will notify the Tilton Police and Matt will follow up with the police department so everyone is informed.
- **2. Minutes:** The minutes from May were reviewed. Bob made a <u>motion</u>, seconded by Helen, to approve the minutes of the May 15 meeting as presented. All were in favor.

3. Old Business:

- a) **Salmon Run Conservation Area** –Sammi Clement sent an invoice for the cleanup of the perennial bed at Salmon Run. Jim made a <u>motion</u> to approve the \$300 request, and Helen seconded the motion. All were in favor. Sammi also asked about constructing a rock snake to add color and interest to the site. After a discussion of the pros and cons, it was decided to approve the project for a trial period to be sure there are no problems. Helen made the <u>motion</u> for to have a trial period, and Jon seconded the motion. All were in favor.
 - The fence on the left front of the parking area has been broken for some time. Paul Rushlow has notified the chair that Home Depot sells replacement pieces. Jon will look into this matter.
- b) **WRTA** Cleanup day was held on June 3. While much of the work was done on the Franklin portion of the trail, trash pickup and the addition of flowers occurred in Tilton. Ken painted over the graffiti on the I-93 bridge. The Taste of the Trail fundraisier is scheduled for the fall.
- **3. New Business:** The TCC received a letter of intent to file a project with NH DES at 22 Contigiani Drive. The diagram with the letter is difficult to read because of its size, so the chair has requested a full-size copy be sent to the TCC.

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4. Correspondence:

- a) NH DES File #2023-01068 Vermont Rail System Letter of Deficiency Railroad Crossing Accessed off Silver Lake Road/Ashuelot Drive
- b) NH DES File#2023-00801 Winnisquam Landing Condo Association Request for More Information 1003 Laconia Road U1 Lot 13

Other:

- a) Route 3 NH DOT Guardrail plans Letters from the TCC regarding concerns were sent to Executive Councilors Kenney and Warmington as well as to State Senator Dan Innis. Letters were also sent to state representatives for Tilton and Northfield. Dan Innis and Juliet Harvey-Bolia have responded that they are looking into the matter.
- b) Salmon Run sign regarding no parking Jon has submitted the order.
- c) Winter Street —A new house is being built in (or next to) a known wetland. Concerns about who, in town, is responsible for ensuring that local rules and requirements are followed. Who gave permission to build in an obviously wet area of the property? Also, who is monitoring what is happening at The Preserve and at the John Bernard project on Laconia Road? Accountability?
- **d) NHACC Newsletter** NH DES rules changes were reviewed from the June 12 email. The secretary will send the email to all members.
- e) **July 17 meeting** Bob has secured space at Riverfront Park for the commission to have its monthly meeting. The commission will meet at 6:00 pm for a barbecue and have the regular meeting at 7:00. Jim has offered to roll over his gas grill and members volunteered potluck items.

Helen made a **motion** to adjourn, seconded by Ken, at 7:54 p.m. All were in agreement.

Respectfully submitted by Kathi Mitchell