Westmoreland Conservation Commission August 2, 2018 meeting minutes

Present: Marshall Patmos, April Ferguson. Jim Ranson, Richard Schmidt, John Lukin,

Perry Sawyer, guest Richard Cates

Meeting called to order at 8:30am

Minutes of the July 5, 2018 were approved as submitted.

Marshall reported that a written response to a concern was sent to the Hoffman's on Partridge Brook rd Apparently a concern about building within the boundaries of the NHRSA 483-B Shoreland Protection Act boundaries by Hampton Fish Company on River Road has still not been addressed. Dick will follow up.

Any category changes to this years' budget as requested by the selectmen is not needed.

An Agriculture Committee has been formed to address agriculture in town and help preserve appropriate agricultural activities.

Motion to enter a nonpublic session was made by Jim and seconded by April. Reason for the nonpublic session according to RSA 91-A:3, II(c) is that information discussed might adversely affect the persons involved. All members present voted in the affirmative to enter a nonpublic session. Dick moved and Perry seconded to seal the minutes of the meeting so as not to adversely affect the people involved. All present voted in the affirmative and the nonpublic portion of the meeting adjourned at 9:15 am.

On July 12, Mary Bradley, Dick and Marshall participated in a field exam of the asbestos debris site in a ravine on County property south on River Road. The jail demolition debris has been removed as required by the NH Department of Environmental Services. The exam was an inspection by the state to see if the site has been restored and protected. Those in attendance- Jeff Blecharczyk, inspector DES. Frank Reeder Selectman, Steve Horton, Cheshire County Administrators Chris Coates, and Rod Bouchard. The County has since received final State approval for the site restoration.

On July 13, Dick and Marshall participated in a field exam of the asbestos landfill at the site of the demolished day care foundation site. It was an inspection by NHDES inspector Todd Moore to see if the work meets the requirements that the state approved. Others in attendance, County Administrators Chris Coates and Rod Bouchard, Bruce Harriman, County facilities, Steve Horton. It appears that the work had been done according to plan but the State has not yet issued final approval of the "as built" plan.

The Commission discussed the visits and felt results of the work were satisfactory. It was decided not to pursue notification of people who had worked in the area during the movement of the asbestos waste about possible future health complications due to asbestos exposure. The Commission will request of the County, a number of documents for town records such as the final "as built" asbestos landfill plan, disposal plans prepared by Horton Consulting, air quality records from the monitors, pictures of the work, signage, inspection guidelines, schedules and other information for the public to know. "Official" notification of an asbestos waste site to the local fire department as required by NH Code of Administrative Rule Env-Sw 900 has not yet been done.

Richard Cates gave us copies of a 2017 NH DES publication that describes and illustrates vegetation management for water quality as called for in the Shoreland Protection Act RSA 483-B. A copy is available in the town office.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 am. Next meeting -August 6. 2018.

Submitted by Marshall Patmos