CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

DATE: September 13, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brett St. Clair, Drew Groves, Darlene Jarvis, George Holt, Ron Jarvis, Stan Sowle

Alternates Present: Matt Lavey, Margaret Watkins

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Alternates Absent: None

MINUTES: August’s minutes were accepted

Kimball Pond Conservation Area (KPCA) focus for “senior project”

Joe Milano met with the Commission to discuss possible ideas for his senior project. Joe is a student at Bow High School but lives in Dunbarton. He grew up enjoying the Kimball Pond Conservation Area where he biked and learned to fish. Joe asked for the Committee’s suggestions as to what he could do in the area. Drew Groves mentioned the need for a small pedestrian bridge on the West side trail where it meets Legache Hill Road. Another Commission member suggested that Joe could conduct a survey at the pond to learn what people are using the area for, etc. Joe might also enjoy helping out with UNH’s ash borer project.

OLD BUSINESS:

Kimball Pond dam/boat launch

The Department of Environmental Services has approved the application for remedial work requested by NH Fish and Game. Road agent Jeff Crosby will be performing the work.

Bela Brook Conservation Area

Boundaries (new lots I4-01-02A, I4-01-02B)

George Holt reported that Jacques Belanger has set the corners on the larger of the two lots and the bounds between are roughly indicated.

Botnick application update

Mr. Botnick has received Planning Board approval for his application to construct the riding arena/barn (with stalls). Margaret Watkins stated that the Commission needs to draft a form which Mr. Botnick will
be asked to sign each year when the easement is monitored. The form needs to clearly state that the one bedroom apartment is rented only by a person retained to manage the equine/agricultural facility.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

September 24, 2017 - Stone Farm celebration, 4 to 6 PM (Guinea Road, Dunbarton)

November 4, 2017 – Interpretive hike with Dave Butler in the Kimball Pond Conservation Area along “Whipple Road”, more information to be forthcoming

NEXT MEETING: October 11, 2017, 7:30 PM

AGENDA:

EAB research (tree removal by 10/14 or 10/15)
Botnick arena/barn update
Hike with Dave Butler (Interpreting the Forested Landscape)
Stone Farm
Annual Kimball Pond Conservation Area monitoring visit
Snowmobile trail easement amendment (KPCA)
Kimball Pond tenant update
Other business

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Darlene M. Jarvis