

Jaffrey Conservation Commission Minutes Draft

Meeting held at Town Offices March 28, 2018

Present: William Graf, Acting Chair, Pam Armstrong, Serra Gauthier, Charles Koch, Francis McBride, Elizabeth Webster, Recorder

Regrets: Carolyn D. Garretson, Nora Barton Bryant, Kathy Batchelder, Nan Beiter, Ann Marie Furnival, Tom Rothermel, Patricia Weiner

I. The meeting convened 7:00 PM.

II. The minutes of the February 28 meeting were approved.

III. Financial Review – \$82,007 in the account.

IV. Ongoing Items

A. CPCA – CK has contacted the fabricator re: revised costs for two gates, painted and installed in poured concrete.

B. Open Space – The Open Space Sub-Committee will meet at BG's on March 29. Emily Chetkowski of Villi Poni will be there to discuss National Heritage Species Week (May 20-26) when Villi Poni will have an event at their farm. The ConComm is sponsoring a class trip for a 4th/5th Grade class, and plans to distribute heritage vegetable seed packages. The Sub-Committee will also study tax maps with a view to expanding conservation easements.

C. Belletete's – Goes before Planning Board.

D. Education – The ConComm will host a program from Project Coyote on April 14, 7PM at the Civic Center, and a presentation from Matt Tarr on young forest habitat and songbirds on May 10, 7PM at the Civic Center. Volunteers sought for publicity campaign. The offer of Mason Bees in the school garden was declined out of concern for possible allergic reactions.

E. LACRF – The \$5,000 Warrant was approved at Town Meeting for the Land Acquisition Capital Reserve Fund.

F. Planning Board/ ZBA – April 3 ZBA to discuss extension of Maria Dr.

G. Mail – CDG received a letter from Carolyn West of the Contoocook Lake Preservation Association asking to meet with ConComm.

V. New Business

A. Educational Opportunities – UNH Co-operative Extension is offering classes through the Community Assistance Program: Taking Action for Wildlife. CDG has identified three of interest.

C. Superintendent of Schools – Reuben Duncan contacted CK regarding student participation in forestry projects. They also discussed educational use of Children's Woods.

VI. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM. The next meeting will be held on April 25, 2018, 7PM at the Town Offices.