Jaffrey Conservation Commission Virtual Meeting Minutes June 16, 2021

Present: Carolyn Garretson (chair), Pam Armstrong, Jim Bearce, Bill Graf, Charlie Koch, Fran McBride, Elizabeth Webster, Kevin Chamberlain (Select Board Rep.)

Absent: Aaron Abitz, Kathy Batchelder, Serra Gauthier, Michael George Guest: Herb Gramm

Meeting convened at 7PM. The meeting took place at the Jaffrey Town Offices, with Zoom available. The meeting was called to order by Carolyn Garretson, Chair.

Ongoing

A. CPCA. CK, JB, BG, and FMcB and Marc who is a volunteer from Hancock, have continued to work on bridges, building a new one each week. The next building session will take place on June 26, 9:00 AM, meeting at LeTourneau Drive. More material may be needed if a wildlife viewing platform is built. Previous approval covers any costs.

B. Grey Goose. BG performed a site visit on 6/02. He found the property improved and well-cared for. Mrs. Robinson asked if they might put up fences.

C. Children's Woods/ Carey Park. JB has trail markers of different shapes and colors to distinguish the trails. He'll mount them as soon as the work on CPCA is done.

D. Nutting Road Bridge. CDG has spoken with Laurie Sommers of the DES Aquatic Resource Mitigation Program. Ms. Sommers encouraged the ConComm to pay the mitigation costs for the Town, with the potential of reimbursement through a grant. The grant might also go towards the transfer costs of adding Carey Park to the easement already protecting Children's Woods. The Monadnock Conservancy needs the prospective easement to go before Town Meeting for approval. Motion: To allocate up to \$15,000.00 to offset the Town's mitigation costs for the replacement of the Nutting Road Bridge at LeTourneau Drive. Passed.

E. Education Programs. Matt Tarr presented a multi-part outdoor program on June 5 at Carolyn's property. The program was well attended.

F. Nora's Bench. The movement of the bench from the Library lawn to the Common is on Todd Croteau's list, but with no date given.

G. ZBA and PB. Neither meeting was attended.

H. Mail/Email. A request for an updated map of area conservation lands was received. Jo Anne Carr has agreed to provide the map, once she has a list of recently conserved properties.

I. Website. EW has asked the members to review the various links provided by SG in April. That list will be re-sent, then approved links submitted to Judy Zola and Andy Baronowski, with KC cc'd.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM. Next scheduled meeting should be July 21 at 7PM, at the Town Offices..