APPROVED MINUTES

TOWN OF NEWMARKET, NH
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
March 13, 2014
7:00 PM Council Chambers

Members Present:Drew Kiefaber (Chairman), Jeff Goldknopf (Treasurer), Stephanie Coster (Alternate), Jessica Veysey-Powell (Alternate), Janice Rosa (Planning Board Rep), and Dale Pike (Town Council Rep)

Members Absent: Bruce Fecteau (Vice Chair) *excused*, Fred Pearson *excused,* George Hilton *excused,* Bob Gazda (Alternate)

Called to Order: 7:08 PM

Agenda Items:

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
The Chair appointed alternates **Jessica Veysey-Powell** and **Stephanie Coster** to act as voting members for this meeting.
3. Public Comment
No public comments.
4. Approval of Minutes

No minutes to approve.

1. Treasurer’s Report
**Jeff** **Goldknopf** had nothing to report. The CC did receive more interest in the account this month. The Town has started a different reporting system and he spoke with the town Finance Director.
2. Committee and Subcommittee Reports
**Dale** **Pike** (Town Council Rep) –nothing to report from the Town Council

**Janice Rosa (**Planning Board Rep) - The golf course will be on the next agenda as well as the development within the existing industrial park.

**Stephanie** **Coster** reported that the next study meeting on the Macallen Dam will be March 27.

**Jeff** **Goldknopf** reported on his progress making new trail maps. He is still in the beginning stages.

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1. Chairman’s Report

Saving Special Places Conference – April 5, 2014 in Laconia
­The Chair sent emails out to all members about this conference and the CC will cover registration costs for anyone wishing to go.

Southeast Land Trust Newsletter
There will be a film festival, Friday, April 25, called ‘Wild and Scenic Film Festival’ at the Portsmouth Music Hall at 7:00 PM. Tickets are $15 and the films are shorts that have an environmental theme running about 1-2 hours in total.

NHACC annual dues are due in April. They are currently $300/yr.

**ACTION**

Motion: **Janice Rosa** moved the CC authorize the expenditure of $300 for membership in the NHACC for 2014

 Second: **Jeff Goldknopf**

 Vote: Approved unanimously 6-0

The Chair will submit a check request for payment.

Requests for Use of Schanda Park

The Chair has received two requests for the use of Schanda Park this spring:

1. Loco Sports has submitted an application for the use of Schanda Park for the 8th Annual Great Bay Half Marathon after race party on April 6, 2014.

 **ACTION**

Motion: **Janice Rosa** moved the CC approve the application for use of Schanda Park

 for the after party of the 8th Annual Great Bay Half Marathon on April 6, 2014.

 Second: **Dale Pike**

 Vote: Approved unanimously 6-0

1. Chick’s Weir – Mr. Jerry Collins has sent an application to the CC regarding the use of Schanda Park for repair of the netting and the pocket in the Chick’s Weir during April or May. He will be in touch with the Town Administrator about a specific time. He will use the parking lot and the tide needs to be low to set the Weir once repairs are complete. The CC should let him know about dates that are already on the calendar.

**ACTION**

Motion: **Janice Rosa** moved the CC approve the application for the use of Schanda Park

 by Mr. Jerry Collins for repair of the Weir nets being clear that he knows about the dates of April 6th, for the Half Marathon Party, and May 25th, for the wedding, are already reserved.

 Second: **Drew Kiefaber**

 Vote: Approved unanimously 6-0

The Chair will send letters to both Loco Sports and Mr. Collins with the CC decisions.

 DRAFT MINUTES

1. Old/New Business

Wetlands Permit – NH DOT 108 Shoulder Widening Project

The NH DOT sent the CC a letter describing some changes to the drainage plan north of Hamel Brook which is located well into Durham. They sent some maps and the Chair will place these into our files.

Easement Stewardship Monitoring

The Chair has completed the report for the Silverman-Schneer property. The monitoring reports are all complete for the year.

Election of Officers – Chair, Vice Chair, and Treasurer

The elections will be delayed until the next meeting.

1. Adjournment

ACTION

Motion: **Dale** **Pike** moved that the meeting be adjourned.

 Second: **Janice** **Rosa**

 Vote: Approved unanimously 6-0

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 PM

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 10, 2014

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Frick

Recording Secretary