**Conservation Commission Meeting**

**July 9, 2018**

**Meeting Opened**: 6:08 pm

**Members Present**: Sue Foote, Al Mueller, Francis Chase, James Sanborn & Judie Walker.

**Guests: Jay Diener, Chair of Town of Hampton Conservation Commission**

**Minutes:**

*Motion to accept the minutes: Francis Chase*

*Second: Al Mueller*

 *Unanimous*

**NHDES:**

* The Department of Environmental Services copied the Conservation Commission in the following letters that NHDES sent out. They will be conducting compliance inspections of permitted projects during the months of June through September:
	+ Louis Luciano of 20 Haverhill Street.
	+ Mark Vinciguerra of 411 Ocean Boulevard.
	+ Daveen Spear of 126 Ocean Boulevard.
	+ Joan Pennace of 123 Ocean Drive.
	+ Nextera Energy 626 Lafayette Road.

**Correspondence:**

* Request from Alyson Eberhardt for Sue Foote, Chair to sign the University of New Hampshire Sponsored Programs Administration Third Party Cost Sharing (Matching) contributions to a UNH sponsored project: Documentation report. Conservation donated $8,000 to harvest beach grass plants for the Seabrook Dunes.
* Sue Foote, Chair asked Alison about helping with the Jet Ski issues. Looking for a sign design and influence to include the Hampton Beach State Park in allowing informational signage. Possibly having the Sea Grant Program involved in this project may encourage participation at all the potential launch and landing areas in the estuary. Alison reports that Barbara Renaud or the Hampton Conservation has the same concerns. Alison suggests a meeting about this issue and invite Hampton, Hampton Falls, State Parks, Seabrook Hampton Estuary Alliance and DES.
* Sue Foote Chair, Conservation Commission sent Alyson a pdf print out from the Hampton Seabrook Estuary with the laws regarding jet skiing. The jet skis are banned from the salt marshes of the Hampton/Seabrook Estuary with operation prohibited within three hundred (300’) feet of any salt marsh of Hampton, Hampton Falls and Seabrook. RSA 270:74,VII.
* Sue Foote emailed Eben Lewis, NH DES activity at the end of Cross Beach Road. There is a jet ski on a platform and there is no mooring permit for the platform. A mooring permit is required by law, Mike Pike the Harbor Master will speak to the owner. Also on 12 Cross Beach Road there is a picture of stone being delivered by a company to fill in areas on property, but there was no permit taken out for this

either.

* The Conservation Commission wrote a letter to John Starkey DPW Manager asking if a sign can be mounted at the Town Pier and at the end of Cross Beach Stating “No Launching as per town ordinance”

***Motion Francis Chase***

***Second: Sue Foote***

***Unanimous***

* Election of Officers: It is that time of year when new officers are voted in. Sue Foote would like to step down as Chair of the Conservation Commission.
	+ Francis Chase, Chair of Conservation Commission
	+ Sue Foote, Vice Chair of Conservation Commission
	+ Judie Walker, Secretary

***Motion: Al Mueller***

***Second: Jim Sanborn***

***Unanimous***

* Jill Barrett Public Outreach Manager for NH DOT sent an email out to Sue Foote, and the Town of Hampton regarding the Neil Underwood Bridge. The meeting is July 12, 2018 at 4:30. At this meeting they will introduce the NHDOT project team and outline the project development process. The team will follow to arrive at a decision on the future of the bridge and to hear about local concerns and issues. Sue Foote and Francis Chase will write a letter in support of the Neil Underwood Bridge project.

**Mail:**

* South East Land Trust thanking the Conservation Commission for their annual membership gift of $500.00.
* Rockingham County Conservation District sent The Conservation Commission at letter regarding free invasive plant management on municipal working lands. This is a pilot project. Sue Foote asked Judie to forward this letter to John Starkey, DPW Manager.

Meeting adjourned: 7:25pm

Next Meeting: May 14, 2018

Respectfully submitted: Judie Walker, Secretary