Tamworth Conservation Commission Draft Minutes – November 14, 2022, Tamworth Town Office Draft minutes to be reviewed and approved at a subsequent meeting

- Call to Order Nelson O'Bryan called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. Commissioners present were Nelson O'Bryan, Charlie Townsend, Jeremy Phillips, Dylan Alden and Kit Morgan. Commissioners absent: Eileen Shelly. Alternates present: Ned Beecher and Lucy Gatchell. Alternates absent: Stephanie Doyle and Chele Miller. Nelson appointed Ned and Lucy to fill the empty seats. Also present: Randall Dearborn, Planning Board; Kelly Goodson, Selectboard.
- **Approval of Minutes for 10/10/2022** Kit moved to accept the minutes as written. Jeremy seconded, motion carried.
- Administrative and Announcements Received a Green Mountain Conservation Group flyer announcing that their newsletter is now available online: https://gmcg.org/wpcontent/uploads/2022/10/Fall-2022-Newsletter-digital.pdf.
- **Financial** Charlie reported that there is \$3587.16 remaining in the 2022 budget. The proposed 2023 budget has been submitted to the Selectboard. Nelson reported that legal fees for dealing with the Perkins easement have so far amounted to about \$7000 and were paid from the Conservation Fund.
- **Planning Board** Randall reported that the Board is working on their budget and review/revision of the subdivision regulations. Nelson reported that the Perkins easement property is awaiting a boundary line survey and the plan is to have an application ready for Planning Board review in January.
- Selectboard Kelly reported that the Board is working on the 2023 town budget. Still looking for a recreation coordinator and transfer station attendant. The town has acquired ownership of two junkyards in violation of town ordinance and is cleaning them up, after which the lots will be auctioned off.
- **Easement Monitoring** Reports are coming in and more inspections are being scheduled. They should all be completed by the end of the year.
- **Groundwater Protection Ordinance Committee** The committee is hoping to have the next public hearing on December 14. Numerous minor revisions have been made.
- **Managed Lands and Trails** Nelson has inspected the Waterfowl Haven field. The black locust sprouts are not that bad so he will go over it with a brush hog.

Conservation Land

Christopher Alt Easements – Nelson reported that, after a number of years of negotiations, Christopher Alt and the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests have agreed to consolidate his numerous easements into two easements. TCC will hold the easement on the homestead lot with SPNHF having executory interest. SPNHF will hold the easement on all other properties with TCC having executory interest. Finalization will probably be sometime next year.

- **Commission Membership** Nelson reported that three commissioner terms will expire in March. One commissioner slot is vacant. Kit and Charlie plan to accept another term; Lucy is weighing her options. Any suggestions for recruiting new members would be welcome.
- Adjourn There being no other business brought before the Commission, Jeremy moved, Ned seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm.

Submitted by Chris Conrod, TCC Administrative Assistant.