TEMPLE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Final Minutes, February 13th, 2019 Location: Town Hall, Annex room

Attendees: Cathy Joly, Honey Hastings, Ult Mundane, Adie Krulis, Sean Radcliffe, Scott Hecker

Missing: Lincoln Geiger

Guests: John and Connie Kieley.

Started at 7:11 pm

Approved minutes of January 9th meeting.

Approved minutes of February 3th special meeting.

John and Connie Kieley comments: John and Connie individually explained why they were opposed to the warrant article the Con Com had proposed at the January 9th meeting. John Kieley communicated his disapproval with the individual commission members responses defending the value warrant article over personal emails. Connie communicated her disapproval with the lack of planning and justification for the warrant article. [NOTE: The warrant article was rescinded/rejected by the commission in a special meeting on February 3rd].

Goals and mission statement for Con Com: Ult Mundane will supply a draft of his Goals and Mission statement by or before next meeting.

Water testing project planning: The group discussed the tasks and dates for the 2019 Water testing project. The group agreed with tentative dates of Wednesday April 10th or Thursday 11th, starting at 6:30 or 7:00 PM for the presentation and night to give out water kits; Sunday April 14th to collect kits in morning and Monday April 15th to deliver kits to Concord. . Adie Krulis will contact Pete Caswell about performing a presentation/talk for the presentation evening. Sean Radcliffe will contact Doug Maillet about performing a presentation/talk for the presentation evening. There was a discussion about the quantity of kits needed. The consensus was to have at least 30 additional kits to current leftover kits. John Kieley shared the manager of DES water testing was Lou Barinelli. Sean would contact Lou to A) Confirm April 15th is good day for delivering ~30 water kits, B) Confirm kits and prices haven't changed from last year and C) If there was a problem getting Town's summary of last year's results. Honey Hastings offered to pick up new kits on March 4th. John Kieley offered to take the filled water kits to Concord on April 15th. Cathy Joly offered to make/edit posters and pamphlets for the presentation .

New members: The group welcomed Scott Hecker to the commission. Scott said his experience with other commissions in Massachusetts was different, more regulatory and with bigger budgets. He asked if anyone does water testing of local rivers. Cathy Joly explained that the Souhegan River Advisory group (SoRLAC) group is doing local river and waterway testing. Scott said he found great value in the newsletters that the Con Com mailed in past and he had a lot of experience doing newsletters. He recommended with make and distribute (at least) an annual newsletter.

LIDAR: Adie shared work her cousin Greg Fiske is doing with LIDAR and shared a complete LIDAR map of Temple. The maps is part of a project identifying rock walls in New Hampshire. She said people love to look at maps. Several people pointed out the conserved lands indicated on the maps was not complete. Adie said her cousin had used older data. Scott Hecker pointed out the 3 acre pond on his land wasn't show on the map. Adie said the map used information from state Granit system.

Annual Budget: There was a discussion about the commission's annual budget. The group agreed we need to help the BOS and others in town know the expenses we expect to use for the year, such as the dues to Con Com association. We need to tell the BOS of any expenses we intend to use for a newsletter. There was discussion about the printing expenses and mailing costs (Every Door Direct Mail, EDDM) for a newsletter. Scott Hecker will research the postal rates and requirements needed for mailing a newsletter with the Temple Postmaster (or others).

Annual Report: There was a discussion about the annual report including reference and thanks to the late Martha Scott. Sean Radcliffe will inform Rose Lowrey that the commission would like to have a photo of Martha Scott on the annual report pages for the Con com.

The group adjourned at 8:37 pm. Next meeting will be Wednesday, March 13th, 2019 at 7:00 PM. Minutes submitted by Sean Radcliffe. *Italics above indicate tasks to be done.*