

TEMPLE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Final Minutes, March 13th, 2019

Location: Town Hall, Annex room

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

Guests: John and Connie Kieley, Carol Mamczak

Started at 7:10 pm

John and Connie Kieley comments: John and Connie stated they wanted to help the commission in anyway they can. John stated there were recent BOS changes.

Carol Mamczak: Carol stated she completed the UNH Cooperative Extension's Natural Resources Steward Volunteer program. Additionally, she presented a letter stating her interest in joining the Temple Conservation Commission.

Approved minutes of February 13th meeting.

Water testing project planning: Honey Hastings brought two (2) boxes of water kits from DES/Concord. We opened the boxes to confirm the kits appear to be same as existing kits. There were 15 kits in each box.

Cathy Joly will get printouts for the event. She will ask Paul (BOS Admin) to print out the handout documents and the detailed directions for the kits (half sheets, 2 per page). Cathy will also personalize the DES current water testing postor and have it printed professionally. Honey Hastings will confirm the main hall will be available Wednesday night (4/10/2019) between 6:00 PM and end of night for the presentation. Additionally she will confirm the annex will be reserved to collect the kits on Sunday (4/14/2019) between 2 and 4PM. Cathy Joly said she would bring some light food for Wednesday night. Sean will ask Lou Barinelli (of DES) to bring a projector of their choice. If Lou cannot bring a projector, then John Kieley will be able to supply a projector for Wednesday presentation. Sean will ask Lou Barinelli (of DES) to bring last years summarized water testing results for Temple.

- Presentation Wednesday April 10th at 6:30 PM (*Sean R will MC, Cathy J will bring food*)
- Water kit collection Sunday April 14th 2pm to 4pm (*Sean R and Adie K*)
- Water kit delivery to Concord April 15th AM (*John Kieley agreed to take the kits to Concord DES*).

Goals and mission statement for Con Com: Ult Mundane shared his draft document of the Mission Statement and Goals and Current Projects for the commission. There was great discussion over all elements of the draft document. Everyone in attendance gave input to Ult. *Ult will work on integrating the ideas into a new document and share the next draft with the commission before the next meeting.*

Newsletter: Scott Hecker explained his research on the previous newsletters from the commission (2010?). John Kieley stated the previous print runs were about 500 copies. Scott and the group agreed the newsletter should be made annually. There was great discussion on the value and cost of printing and mailing the newsletter (as it was done in 2010) vs having electronic versions distributed via email distribution, on town website and other web resources. Some members suggested a one time mailing to reach as many people in town. There was a discussion on the costs of printing and mailing. Connie suggested printing and mailing to entire town would be less than \$350. John kieley suggested mailing a 'teaser' to town (possibly cheaper than mailing larger, entire newsletter) containing a link to the entire electronic newsletter online. *Scott will research the costs of printing and mailing the newsletter in various formats.*

Members: The group unanimously recommended Carol be appointed as alternate. The group unanimously recommend reappointment of Lincoln Geiger and Sean Radcliffe. Some members pointed out the dates of the terms of commission members on the website have not been updated. *Sean will research the dates of other members and ask Alanna to update accordingly.*

John Kieley comments: The scope of the Conservation Commission should be broader. Cathy Joly is involved with Souhegan water health. John is involved with new floodplain rules as Emergency Management Director. The TEEC has been successful reducing energy consumption for town buildings. The group is involved with "Clean Energy NH", a nonprofit helping municipalities get clean energy. There is a need to re-energize Temple's energy usage. The Con Com should take a position on junkyards. John also pointed out there were a number of junkyard and/or properties in town that have environmental concerns. John explained he has previous experience in town helping clean up other properties. He said he could help synchronize efforts in town.

John Barry land: Lincoln Geiger explained the monks living in north of town asked there was any possibility of having the John Barry land conserved. Lincoln said he explained to them that it would take funds to conserve the land. Lincoln said they would research their connections for funding.

HB646 Pollinator Chemical Regulation Bill: Adie Krulis alerted the group there was a bill to protect pollinators from neonicotinoids in NH house and asked if the group should support it. Sean Radcliffe said his experience with honeybees and CCD is that varroa mites was bigger problem in NH. Honey Hastings said the bill would be in house for a while, no need to react immediately.

Town committee/commission member behavior: Cathy Joly shared documentation from a handout from the New Hampshire Municipal Association concerning Town committee/commission member individual speech and behavior. The language stated both town board members have no power outside of the decisions of their committees but can voice opinions if they state they are not representing the board they are on. Additionally, Cathy pointed out language that suggested members should be careful of what they say. There was animated discussion and reactions but no consensus by the commission. John Kieley state insulting the public is never good.

The group adjourned at 8:50 pm. Due to the water presentation occurring on second Wednesday in April, the next meeting will be Wednesday, May 8th, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

Minutes submitted by Sean Radcliffe. *Italics above indicate tasks to be done.*