Cornish Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes September 26, 2018

Present: Corey Fitch, Stuart Wilkie, Bill Gallagher, Bob Taylor, Reyer Jaarsma, John Hammond, John Berry, Deanna Fitch,

Not present: Rickey Poor, Jim Barker, Kimberly Patterson, Steven Wilkie

Metal Plaques for Totem Pole – at 6:30 p.m., prior to the meeting, a number of members installed the new brass plaques of past CCC Award Winners on the Totem Pole at the Town Offices. Corey took a few pictures which he will post on-line and provide a link to.

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Corey Fitch, Chair.

Bill moved to approve the August meeting minutes as written; Reyer seconded, approved unanimously.

Topical Reports:

- Monitoring Report (Stuart on behalf of Rickey)
 - On August 29th Rickey and Stuart walked both the Neidecker and Shurcliff properties and found no irregularities. Rickey wrote up the two reports and cover letters for each and sent them to the property owners and to Jason Berard at the Upper Valley Land Trust. There are copies in the files at the town offices. Except for White Swan Farm we are done with this year's easements.
- Education Report (Corey)
 - Fall workshop topic: Coyotes (Bill)
 - Chris Schadler <u>http://www.projectcoyote.org/about/chris-schadler/</u> from Project Coyote <u>http://www.projectcoyote.org</u> will be coming to speak on Wednesday October 10th at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Offices. She charges \$200 to speak. She will help publicize the workshop. Corey will publicize the event in Connect Cornish. Bill has been distributing the flyer for the workshop at the Recycling Center on Saturdays and at a couple of other events in town.
 - Mushroom workshop (Bill): Probably planned for early spring. David Wichland will be the facilitator.

The 48th Annual Meeting & Conference of the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions on Saturday November 3, 2018 at Pembroke Academy. The cost for any member of the CCC who wishes to attend will be covered by the CCC.

Corey shared with the members the new CCC banner that has been received to be displayed at various events.

Discussion of the NRI Sections IV, V, and IV. The link to the Town of Cornish National Resources Inventory (NRI): http://www.cornishnh.net/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/CornishNRI_2013.pdf

Stuart took notes of the changes and edits to the NRI should be made.

At October's meeting we will review NRI Sections VII and VIII.

Cornish Flat Swimming Area/Fire Pond:

The grass has been cut at least once but the pond hasn't been dredged as of yet. John H. will follow up on the dredging. This is a good time of year to do it since the water level is kind of low.

October $16^{th} - 10:00 - 3:00$ (or until done) on the Yatsevitch property, there will be a work party to remove a few structures on the property.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. by unanimous vote.

Respectively submitted, Stuart Wilkie, Secretary