Town of Auburn Conservation Commission October 4, 2022

Members present: Jeff Porter-Chairman. Peg Donovan, Vice Chair. Richard Burnham, Member. Stephanie Hanson, Alternate Member. Minutes recorded by Denise Royce.

Absent: Diana Heaton & Ed Fehrenbach, Member. Patricia Elwell & Mark Ampuja, Alternate Members.

Also Present: Jeremy Lougee, SELT.

Mr. Porter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. moved to acceptance of the meeting minutes for June 7, 2022. Mr. Porter also elevated Ms. Hanson to a voting member for tonight's meeting.

MINUTES

Mrs. Donovan moved to approve the minutes of June 7, 2022 as written. Mr. Burnham seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Mr. Porter informed the Board members of what has been transpiring between the Planning Board and Stantec with regard to a Groundwater ordinance with regard to some of the prime water aquafers in town. Mr. Porter indicated that there were two (2) aquafers inside of the Manchester Water Works and the third was off of Chester Turnpike within the sandpit area. Mr. Porter went on to say that they would be looking to get those into some sort of preserved state, and they are looking to do that from a planning perspective. In conclusion, Mr. Porter stated that, this is what will be coming up shortly and will affect the way that some of the regulations come in through development.

At this time, Mr. Porter asked the Board members if they had any questions. None were noted. With that said, Mr. Porter asked for a motion to enter into non-public session.

Mrs. Donovan made a motion to enter into non-public session with the Board. Ms. Hanson seconded the motion. All were in favor and the Board entered into non-public session at 7:05pm.

Mr. Burnham moved to seal the minutes of the non-public meeting; Ms. Hanson seconded the motion; all were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Burnham made a motion to exit out of non-public session with the Board. Mrs. Donovan seconded the motion. All were in favor and the Board exited out of non-public session at 7:46pm.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Porter asked if there was any further business to discuss. Ms. Hanson did not have any other business but wanted to make a report to the Board that she has been going to the Advisory Committee meetings for Massabesic Audubon. They may ask the Conservation Commission to participate in Earth Day next year which is in April. Mr. Porter commented that, the only bad thing about that is it falls at the same time as clean-up day. A brief discussion ensued with regard to other community meetings such as Derry and Candia.

With that said, Mr. Porter thanked the Board members that attended tonight and asked for a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURN

Mr. Burnham moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Donovan seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed unanimously, and the meeting stood adjourned at 7:48pm.

The next Conservation Commission meeting is currently scheduled for Tuesday, November 1, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 47 Chester Road unless otherwise noted.