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<u>Final Minutes – September 21, 2018</u>

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jared Chicoine, Chair, Director, NH Office of Strategic Initiatives
Tracey Boisvert, Designee, NH Department of Natural and Cultural Resources
Timothy Drew, Designee, NH Department of Environmental Services
Stephen McLocklin, Designee, NH Department of Administrative Services
William Ray, Designee, NH Housing Finance Authority
Glenn Normandeau, Executive Director, NH Fish and Game Department
Nadine Miller, non-voting member, NH Division of Historical Resources
Marta Modigliani, Designee, NH Department of Safety
Amy Clark, Department of Education

OTHERS PRESENT

Michael Klass, NH Office of Strategic Initiatives
Noah Hodgetts, NH Office of Strategic Initiatives
Will Guinn, NH Division of Forests and Lands
Clinton Savage, NH Bureau of Trails
Maggie Machinist, NH Division of Forests and Lands
Matt Leahy, Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests
Larry Gomes, NH OHRV Coalition
Gordon Landrigan, NH Department of Justice

I. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was opened at 9:36 AM by Chairman Chicoine.

CORD members and others present introduced themselves.

II. LAND CONSERVATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM (LCIP)

A. Request by the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources to re-route approximately 750 linear feet of the West Side Road within the Nash Stream State Forest to a more environmentally appropriate location and to eliminate an erosion problem.

Maggie Machinist from DNCR Division of Forests and Lands provided a summary of the current state of the West Side Road within the Nash Stream State Forest. The road, which existed when DNCR acquired the property in 1988, is used for ATVs, snow mobiles, and trucks/vehicle access. This past summer DNCR discovered erosion adjacent to a culvert that was buried 30-40' down in depth with fill on top. The erosion has caused the fill to start migrating towards Nash Stream. As a result, DNCR has proposed relocating an approximate 750-foot section of the road away from Nash Stream, built into the bank. DNCR has brought the project to CORD because it is a multi-use ATV trail as well as a haul road. DNCR hopes to complete the road relocation this fall and then will remove the fill from the road's old location, and install water bars to prevent further sedimentation and erosion.

In response to questions from Mr. Ray, Ms. Machinist noted that the new road will be designed to accommodate logging trucks in the future and that all of the old fill will be salvaged, to the extent possible, or removed from the site.

In response to a question from Ms. Modigliani, Ms. Machinist stated that this was in the same area that CORD members previously toured.

In response to questions from Mr. Drew, Ms. Machinist stated that siltation from the fill may be reaching Nash Stream during severe storm events. The new road would be built into the bank using cut and fill in such a manner that will be more stable than the existing road.

In response to a question from Ms. Clark, Ms. Machinist stated that the new road will contain a new culvert and a small non-concrete headwall.

Mr. Klass reported that he received one comment regarding the project from the Division of Historical Resources, concurring with no conditions.

Chairman Chicoine provided another opportunity for agency comments and for public comment, but there was none.

MOTION: Executive Director Normandeau moved to recommend the relocation of the West Side Road in Nash Stream State Forest as requested. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ray. Mr. Drew mentioned that the culvert sizing should account for climate change and accept extreme flows. The council voted unanimously to approve the motion.

III. MINUTES

A. Approval of July 12, 2018 draft minutes.

Mr. Klass commented that on the bottom of page two, Item III.B (Smart Growth Update), Chris Skoglund's name was misspelled.

MOTION: On a motion by Ms. Modigliani, seconded by Director Normandeau, the July 12, 2018 minutes with Mr. Klass' proposed amendment were approved unanimously by the council with Ms. Clark abstaining.

B. Approval of <u>August 31, 2018 draft minutes</u>.

MOTION: On a motion by Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Ray, the August 31, 2018 minutes were approved unanimously by the council with Ms. Clark, Ms. Modigliani, and Director Normandeau abstaining.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Next Meeting

Chairman Chicoine reminded the Council that the next meeting will be held on November 8, 2018 at a location to be determined. As discussed at the July 12, 2018 CORD Meeting, the November 8th meeting will provide the opportunity for CORD to hear from the two agencies mentioned in the Lake Sunapee Public Boat Access Development Commission report, DNCR and Fish and Game.

V. MEETING ADJORNMENT

MOTION: With business completed, Mr. Ray moved to adjourn the meeting, which Ms. Clark seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by the Council.

Meeting adjourned at 9:51 AM

Reminder - 2018 Meeting Dates

January 11 March 8 (cancelled due to inclement weather)

May 10 July 12 (meeting to be held in NHDRA's Training Room)

August 31 (special meeting) September 21

November 8