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Effingham Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes December 3, 2012

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. There were no guests or members of the public
2. Organizational Issues:
 - The minutes for the November 5 meeting were approved. There was no November work session.
 - The financial report reflected no changes from last month.
 - Communications, interactions with other town boards and organizations: GMCG will host a tracking workshop on Saturday, January 19, 2013. Breakfast at Lynnski's Restaurant on Route 25 at 7:30 a.m. will be followed by a field walk with Susan Morse, tracking expert.
3. Goals and Schedules – Complete ECC section of the Master Plan: done.
4. Water Issues:
 - Eric Senecal of GMCG reported that a pedestrian on Huntress Bridge Road told him that there was a junk air conditioner thrown in the water near a culvert. He was able to recover it so it could be disposed of properly.
5. Open Space Issues:
 - LLP -- the new sign is in place and looks great.
 - Intents to cut: nothing unusual to report.
 - Green Mountain picnic table: ECC proposal based on Kamal's request is part of the 2013 budget now awaiting consideration by the Budget Committee. The table Jack has designed for LLP is also in the budget for consideration. The projected cost of \$625 for both would come out of the \$1000 line item for land improvements.
 - Town lots proposed for conservation – Map 106, Lot 15 and Map 413, Lot 159 have been included in a warrant article for Town Meeting.
6. Education and Outreach:
 - Multi-town educational fair – Representatives of the Ossipee Conservation Commission proposed a summer educational event promoting environmental initiatives in the Ossipee Watershed including but not limited to water issues, pollution, energy efficiency, open space, habitat and other quality of life topics. Emelyn will attend the OCC meeting on Wednesday, December 12 to learn more.
7. Other Business and Special Reports:
 - 2013 Budget – Emelyn will attend the Budget Committee meeting on Tuesday, December 4 to discuss the ECC budget request for next year.
 - Master Plan – Chapter 7, ECC's section, has been submitted to the Planning Board following the last revision by UNH Extension. Planning Board will inform ECC when the chapter will be discussed at one of their meetings.
 - End of year report – Virginia will write this year's ECC annual summary for the town report.

There will be no work session for December. The next regular meeting will be held Monday, January 7 at the town offices, School Street, at 6:30 p.m.

8. Members present: Emelyn Albert (*Chair*); Tim White (*Recording Secretary*); Jack Williams (*Vice Chair*); Virginia Wrabel. Absent: Dave Goulet (*Secretary*); Harry Libby; Steph Barnes (*alt.*); Al Levesque (*alt.*); Steve Zalewski (*alt.*)
9. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tim White, Recording Secretary

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