Poland Conservation Commission

Town of Poland 1231 Maine St. Poland, Maine 04274

Meeting Minutes, August 11, 2021

Members Present: Barry Morgan(co-chairperson), Fred Huntress(co-Chairperson), Donald Stover (Secretary), John Young, (Treasurer), Alan Audet, Steve Robinson (Selectboard liason), Ray Stillman (visitor)

Meeting called to order at 7 pm by Chairman Morgan.

Minutes of July meeting were reviewed and approved with one correction. Fred Huntress and Barry Morgan were re-appointed as co-chairpersons.

Treasurer's report: Treasurer Young reported an Operating Fund balance of \$8308.78 and Reserve Fund balance of \$5297.73. There has been no recent activity. Report accepted.

Sale of Sadie Jackson lot: Closing of the sale is still delayed due to buyer's difficulty in getting a title search.

Heart of Poland: Survey corrections need to be made to include all of Lot 5 and the significant vernal pool. Barry will discuss with Matt who will in turn ask Fred to detail the necessary changes for Mr. Davis to complete the document for NEFF. It will then go to the Selectboard and Town Meeting for approval. Completed document must be to Selectboard by end of February. The commission voted to expend funds as needed to pay Mr. Davis for the corrections.

Master Trail Plan: Discussion of Master Trail Plan was tabled until September meeting.

Town Comprehensive Plan: Steve noted that the revised Comprehensive Plan (pp 166-167) Lists all publicly owned and tax exempt lands. Fred and Don will review this list and update our recommendations. Steve suggests that proceeds from any lands to be sold should be designated for the Conservation Reserve Fund.

Budget Planning: will be on our September agenda. There likely will be \$40,000 of TIFF money available for trails.

Comprehensive Conservation Plans for Waterhouse Park and Map 10 Lot 54: were revised and presented to the commission for approval. Don, Fred and Allen will share in presenting these to the Selectboard on August 17 for their approval. All members are asked to attend and lend support.

Murphy Memorial: The design was approved and members are making donations to cover the cost.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm. The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 8 at 7pm in the library.

Respectfully submitted, Donald Stover, Secretary