

**NORTHFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2023**

Members Present: Charles Page, Mark Chaffee, and Anthony Pucci

Members Absent: Heather Durgin, David Krause

Alternate Members Present: None.

Others Present: None

Chair Page opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Minutes –Chaffee/Page moved and seconded to approve the draft minutes of the June 21, 2023, meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Easement Discussion– The members discussed the 3 easements granted to the town. Charlie and Tony will schedule some time to visit the Knowles Pond Dam easement and talk with the grantor.

Conservation Area Updates –There has been much trail clearing of fallen trees and branches on the Knowles and Sotir properties. Charlie extended thanks to the Pucci's and Sterling Blakey.

Old Business – Charlie reported that the VLAP testing at Knowles Pond in July was done with the help of a state biologist. The results were satisfactory. Discussion with the biologist regarding the road silt and sediment getting into the pond. It was agreed to install a soil berm in front of the boat ramp in hopes of directing road runoff towards the tree and vegetation to the left of the boat ramp in order to filter some of the run-off. It was also agreed to discuss with the Road Agent the potential for a low salt zone in front of the pond.

Public Input – There were no members of the public in attendance.

Other Business – The members reviewed a letter from the State of NH regarding the guardrail rebuilding project along Rte. 3 abutting the Winnepesaukee River in Tilton. The letter acknowledges the concerns of the Conservation Committees of both Tilton and Northfield and indicates public input will be requested as further planning proceeds.

Conservation Corner – The members discussed various topics for consideration in future newsletters. Charlie volunteered to communicate a few articles to Stephanie for inclusion in the Northfield News.

Adjournment – There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Minutes approved December 20, 2023