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Meeting Minutes – September 13, 2018

Commissioners present – *Marci Caplis, Todd Lynch, and Andrew MacLachlan*

Members of the public present – *Sally Loomis and Mark Wamsley of Hilltown Land Trust*

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

- Discussion of Kestrel Land Trust's plans to buy properties in Williamsburg as part of a much larger, multi-town conservation area. Lashway is selling the Hanging Mountain property. The Land Trust is also buying the Collins property, which is split between two towns. HLT needs a public partner and asked the Conservation Commission to hold a conservation easement on the property. The ConComm approved serving as the municipal holder of the conservation restriction for those Williamsburg properties. The Trust is hoping to close on the properties in October or November.
- Discussion of requested meeting to review the NOI submitted by the BSC group on behalf of Dynamic Energy for work to be done installing poles to enable connection to the new solar array. If their consultant can get the notice published, get a file number from DEP, and be available for a meeting, then the Conservation Commission will have a meeting on September 27. Otherwise the review will be scheduled for the regular October meeting.
- Report on information provided by Geoff LeBaron and Heidi Johnson. They are seeking clarification on whether their logging plans are subject to the WPA.
- Report on Emergency Certification issued by Ms. Caplis. A truck lost its brakes and crashed into the guard rails and fence at 3 Chesterfield Road, spilling diesel fuel. The clean up crew needs to remove a tree and soil at the site.

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- The owner of the Red House Air B & B has concerns that the neighbors are not following wetland protection guidelines, and he requested that a letter be sent to abutters of the river. Suggestions were made to
 - Send a letter to new owners when they buy property along a river or stream
 - Make an informational display. Mr MacLachlan will speak with the library director about finding an available time for such a display. MacLachlan and Lynch will gather images.
 - Regular outreach
- Discussion of upcoming fall newsletter. Ms. McCall is writing a piece on the importance of native plants. Suggestion was made to include informational links on the the Commission website. McCall will find and add links.
- Follow up on the 16 Walpole Road case. Ms. Caplis sent copies of support material and a summary of the case to the DEP.
- Follow up on the plans for Dynamic Energy's solar array. In response to the Commission's enquiries, the company has installed erosion controls at the south end of the site, has registered the new design as a plan change, and sent a copy of the SWPP (Storm Water Protection Plan.)
- Follow up on the Mountain Road reconstruction plan. Ms. Caplis wrote to the engineering firm, Hoyle, Tanner, and Associates, asking them to keep us informed of their progress and plan changes.
- Follow up on dog signs. The trails committee will pick up signs, currently in the Planning Board office.

Minutes from August were accepted with changes.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05

Respectfully submitted,
 Melinda McCall
 Secretary - Williamsburg Conservation Commission

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