

Salisbury Conservation Commission Meeting Summary August 22, 2018

Dave Kelly, Chairman Laura Deming, Vice Chairman Cheryl Bentley, Secretary

Present Present Present Bill MacDuffie, Member Kathleen Doyle, Member Leon Riel, Member

Peg Boyles, Alternate Member

Present Present Absent

Present

Visitors: No visitors.

Chairman Dave Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

<u>Previous Meeting Minutes</u> - Members reviewed the July 25, 2018 meeting minutes. **Member** Kathleen Doyle motioned to accept July meeting minutes as written. Chairman Dave Kelly seconded that motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

New Business – Members discussed the 2013 Salisbury Conservation Commission Land Conservation Selection Criteria Guidelines created to assist Conservation members in supporting easement fee requests. Members discussed that money from the account should be used for Conservation to purchase conservation land in the future, as well as to support fees associated with easements by town landowners, but that money from the account should not be used for private land purchases by private land owners. Discussion ensued if Conservation Commission were to ourchase land, that easement rights would most likely not be needed.

Members discussed putting a cap on amounts that would be provided to each applicant, using the criteria set up in 2013 to determine how much support would be provided to each applicant. Members talk about finding out how other towns deal with their support of easements. Member Kathleen Doyle indicated that she had already spoken to Webster and they had depleted their funds on two easements that their Conservation Commission supported. Member Kathleen Doyle said she would contact Five Rivers Conservation Trust and inquired as to what many of the surrounding towns do as far as easement fee support, as well as what Five Rivers actual fees are with the associated services to preserve and protect private landowner easements.

New Business - None

Mail - No mail.

Cheryl Bentley

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 26, 2018.

<u>Adjournment</u> - Member Kathleen Doyle motioned to adjourn, Member Laura Deming seconded that motion, all voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Dave Kelly, Chairman