Ashland Conservation Commission Draft Minutes June 10th 2015

Members present

Renee Liebert Kathleen DeWolfe Harold Lamos

Chairperson Renee Liebert called meeting to order at 6:34pm.

First on the agenda is the minutes of the may 13th 2015 meeting. Harold Lamos motioned to approve minutes, Renee Liebert seconded this motion...vote of 3-0-0.

Next on the agenda was a discussion of the beach sand replenishment at the town beach (permit number #2015-01363). Paper work has been signed and sent to DES, Parks and Recreation is waiting for approval to move forward.

The Commission discussed the "Whitten Woods" project being managed through a partnership between Squam Lakes Conservation Society, Squam Lakes Association, and New England Forestry Foundation. This encompasses roughly 400 acres within our town, which will be open to hiking and several other outdoor activities. Although we as a Commission voted to donate funds to this project from our conservation funds, without a town meeting we don't have the authority to do so (Lamos made a motion to donate \$2000 to go toward purchasing said property, seconded by Kathleen DeWolfe vote of 3-0-0). We will review our options and hope to donate to this cause in the future.

We have revisited the memo for the "right to know" of environmental concerns, we hope this will help us with any future environmental concerns in our community.

NEW BUSINESS- Pollution occurring in Ames Brook. It has been brought to our attention that contamination is occurring via a "blow off valve" operated by Ashland Water and Sewer located in New Hampton. This matter is being remedied with the help of DES and the New Hampton Conservation Commission. Ashland Water and Sewer and DES are both working with an engineering firm to fix this issue as soon as possible.

Renee Liebert made a motion to adjourn at 7:53pm, Lamos seconded this motion...vote of 3-0-0.