



Warner Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes Monday, March 5, 2018 APPROVED

Chairman Dabuliewicz opened the hearing at 4:15 pm

Attendance: Selectman John Dabuliewicz – Chairman, Selectman Kimberley Edelmann, Selectman Clyde Carson and Town Administrator – Jim Bingham

Others present: Nancy Martin, Ray Martin, Anthony Mento

1. Conservation Commission Funds

- A. Conservation Commission Chair, Nancy Martin, met with the Board requesting the Selectmen to release funds from the Conservation Commission Fund to support the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust easement. Nancy explained she is asking the release of \$75,000 from the Conservation Commission Fund to contribute towards purchasing an easement on the Brown Family Frazier Brook Farm. Nancy said there was an article in last months Chatter, which is the Ausbon Sargent Newsletter, and is especially pleased with this project because Ausbon Sargent received a New Hampshire Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) grant for \$180,000. Nancy is pleased funds have been brought back into the town by being able to support the LCHIP grant. Ausbon Sargent needed to raise another \$43,000 to close this deal. The total cost for the easement is \$298,000 for 150 acres of agricultural land. The easement is very close to the Courser easement which is also agricultural. The Brown family has owned the land for 150 years and their goal is for the land to remain together. Closing on the easement is hoped to happen by the end of June and Ausbon Sargent will sponsor a public hike in July to view the easement.
- B. Kimberley is concerned about how much land in Warner is attached to a Conservation Easement, which means generations from now that land can't be subdivided. John said that's the choice of the landowner, which has been made. Nancy said she can provide information to Kimberley that will show her that conservation is a lot less expensive than development.

Board Action

Selectman Carson moved to authorize the Conservation Commission to spend \$75,000 from the Conservation Commission fund for the Brown Family Frazier Brook Farm Easement. Selectman Edelmann seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

2. Posting of Class V and Class VI Roads

Selectman Edelmann made a motion to authorize the Director of Public Works to post weight limits on Class V and Class VI roads. Selectman Carson seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

3. 2018 Town Meeting

The Board and the Moderator, Ray Martin, prepared for Town Meeting. Because of the new fire station bond article, it's felt there will be a large turnout. The downstairs will be utilized with two-way audio feed.

4. Assessing Clerk

The Board reviewed and agreed upon the advertisement for the position.

5. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:22 pm

Board of Selectmen
John Dabuliewicz – Chairman
Clyde Carson
Kimberley Edelmann

Recorder of the minutes: Mary Whalen