

1 JOINT HOLLIS CONSERVATION & AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONS
2 WORKING GROUP

3 Minutes of Meeting
4 January 11, 2017
5 Approved February 16, 2017
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7 Present: Mark Post and Dan Harmon, Agricultural Commission Members; and Jonathan Bruneau and Mary Jeffery
8 (via telephone), Conservation Commission Members; Connie Cain, Staff.
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10 M. Post called the meeting to order at 4:17 pm; M. Jeffery attending via conference call.
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12 **STATUS UPDATE**

13 M. Post had asked members at the last meeting to decide whether the proposed lease area should consist of one or
14 two separate areas. Additionally, he would like to discuss the next steps in the process, the Town Warrant Article
15 presentation, and the release of the Agricultural Assessment Report prior to the Town Meeting; this report will also
16 be part of the bid packet for potential lessees.
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18 D. Harmon felt that feedback was still needed from the Conservation Commission (HCC), the Agricultural
19 Commission (AGC), and their representatives from the Board of Selectmen (BOS). M. Post will contact Tom Dufresne,
20 HCC Chair, to enquire if the work group can present the information to the HCC, in non-public session, at their next
21 meeting on January 18, 2017. The AGC will receive the same presentation at their next meeting on February 9, 2017.
22 M. Post will put together a brief presentation for both committees, and inform the BOS representatives. J. Bruneau
23 felt that the HCC will want to know more about the water quality, soils and forestry items; the BOS will want to
24 know about public access. D. Harmon pointed out that the Woodmont lease excludes the forested portions. After
25 both presentations, M. Post will ask the BOS for authorization to meet with the Town Attorney regarding lease
26 language and associated items.
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28 **NON-PUBLIC SESSION**

29 M. Post motioned to enter into non-public session, in accordance with RSA 91-A:3, II(d); seconded by D. Harmon. All
30 members in favor, none opposed. The motion to enter into non-public session carried 4-0-0, and the work group
31 entered non-public session at 4:55 pm.
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33 **RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION**

34 M. Post motioned to return to public session and to keep the minutes sealed under RSA 91-A:3, III; seconded by M.
35 Jeffery. All members in favor, none opposed. The motion to return to public session carried 4-0-0, the minutes were
36 sealed, and the work group returned to public session at 5:38 pm.
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38 **LEASE AREA**

39 D. Harmon motioned to recommend that the agricultural lease area will consist of primarily unforested portion of
40 the eastern part of the property, with the boundaries to be determined. In the future, this area will be referred to as
41 the "Proposed Lease Area;" seconded by M. Post. All members in favor, none opposed, and the motion carried 4-0-0.
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43 **MINUTES**

44 M. Post motioned to approve the public minutes of December 19, 2016 as revised, seconded by D. Harmon. All
45 members in favor, none opposed, and the public minutes were approved by a vote of 4-0-0.
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47 M. Post motioned to approve the non-public minutes of December 19, 2016 as revised and to keep them sealed until
48 voted to release to the public, seconded by M. Jeffery. All members in favor, none opposed, and the minutes were
49 approved and kept sealed.
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51 If deemed necessary, the next meeting will occur on Wednesday, January 25, 2017 at 4:00 pm in the Community
52 Room.
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54 **ADJOURNMENT**

55 M. Jeffery motioned to adjourn the meeting; seconded by M. Post. All members in favor, none opposed. The motion
56 to adjourn was carried 4-0-0, and the meeting adjourned at 4:51 pm.
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58 Respectfully submitted,
59 Connie Cain
60 Staff