Town of Plaistow

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Conservation Commission

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Meeting Minutes

August 1, 2019 7:00 PM Second Floor, Town Hall

1. Meeting opening: At 7:02 PM by Jill Senter

2. Roll call: Present: Jill Senter, Tim Moore, Charles Blinn, Olaf Westphalen, John Blinn (Selectmen's Representative)

Excused: David Averill

3. Approval of minutes: Postponed

4. Review updated Rules of Procedure: Updates still in progress. They will be ready for the September meeting.

5. Old Business

- Olaf contacted Brent Ebner to find out the status of the 3-town trail map. Brent reported that it was on hold pending the impact the implementation of the forest management plan would have on the trails in Plaistow.
- Danielle of the SELT suggested that the Commission hire a trails professional to review the existing trails and prepare a trails plan that would make recommended changes to existing trails including both improvements and closure where needed to help maintain wildlife habitat. The next step would be a review of the trail plan by Matt Tarr to ensure the plan was compatible with wildlife habitats. The final plan and implementation would then be based on Matt Tarr's recommendations.
- All of the above trail work is contingent upon implementing the two areas of the Forest Management plan (treatment for invasive species and a minimal tree cut to open some of the forest canopy) that have been approved by the Commission in 2018.

6. New Business

• Jill Senter read a letter from DES regarding the Diesel World (87 Plaistow Rd) wetlands restoration project. The letter stated that DES had not received updates

from Diesel Word regarding the restoration and they are requesting the updates be submitted as soon as possible. No action is required by the Conservation Commission.

• The Commission received a 5th anniversary card [of the Town Forest easement] from SELT and congratulated the Town on being good stewards of the forest.

7. Communications

- No other letters or new information was in the mail folder.
- Next meeting: September 5, 2019.
- 8. Meeting adjournment: At 8:05 PM by Jill Senter.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy E. Moore Secretary, Plaistow Conservation Commission

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5. Old Business

- Town Forest Discussion
 - o SELT site walk
 - o Trail status 3-town trail map

6. New Business

• Next meeting: September 5, 2019

7. Communications

- Review any new mail in mail folder
- 8. Meeting adjournment