## Deering Conservation Commission 762 Deering Center Road Deering, New Hampshire 03244

## Minutes for10 June 2019 Meeting

Attendance. Gary Samuels, Jackie Sawyer, Dennis Sawyer, Rebecca Mitchell

Also present: Glenn Clark, Al Maddox

Call to order. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 by Gary Samuels

Minutes. The minutes of the meeting of 13 May were accepted.

Correspondence. None was received.

## **Old Business.**

Lake Water Testing. Glenn Clark reported on discussions of lake water testing with Bob Compton and Bob Monahan, the president of the DLIA. Mr Compton has undertaken to test the water in Deering Lake on a voluntary basis for the past several years. Provision must now be made for the eventuality that Mr Compton will no longer provide the service.. Because Deering Conservation Commission pays DES for the testing, it was decided that Con Comm members should be involved in the testing program. This was voted on and approved unanimously by the members present. Mr Clark recommended that Deering should own its own testing equipment. The two reasons for this are (1) dates for testing and for obtaining equipment from DES must be reserved. Equipment must be picked up in Concord and returned promptly the next day. (2) the date is firm and the equipment must be used regardless of the weather. Owning our own equipment will give greater flexibility in timing of lake testing. The cost to acquire the equipment is estimated at \$2000. DLIA has agreed to pay half if Con Comm will pay the other half. Samuels noted that there is no money in the budget to buy the equipment this year but, following a unanimous vote to accept this plan, he said that Con Comm can place this item in the budget request for 2020 in October. Any new equipment will be kept under control of Con Comm. Glenn Clark, speaking for DLIA, agreed to this. Two Con Comm members previously indicated interest in participating in water testing for this year. Glenn Clark assured Con Comm that Mr Compton would complete the testing schedule for 2019. Samuels enquired about testing in the beach area during peak times in July and was assured that the water is tested then. Glenn Clark said that Deering Lake is known to be one of the top three lakes for water purity.

Con Comm brochure. Kay Hartnett said that the new brochure is ready for printing. She asked whether the trail map could be 'decluttered' so as to make the location of trails more easily seen on the map. Samuels said that this is possible and that they should discuss the issue.

## **New Business.**

Deering Community Church Faire. This annual event will be held in August and conservation commission was asked whether it would be participate. Members present indicated a willingness. We could distribute trail maps and display duck boxes.

Annual election for con comm officers. This was postponed for a month so that that more members could be present.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:000 by chairman Samuels. The next meeting will be held on July 8 at 6:30 in Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted Gary Samuels, secretary Deering Conservation Commission