Members present: Chuck Mitchell, chair; Jim Cropsey; Bob Hardy; Helen Hanks; Jon Scanlon; and Kathi Mitchell. Guests: Katherine Dawson; Joyce Fulweiler; Ken Norton; and Rick Silverburg

**PSNH/telephone pole at Ernie’s:** The pole needs to be moved so the parking lot and trail can be developed. Joyce was informed that a deeded easement is not necessary if the new pole is on the property line. Joyce spoke with David Sullivan and he is not opposed. Ken Norton asked why the pole isn’t entirely on the Sullivan property. Joyce will be in touch with Fairpoint and there will be a meeting this coming Friday at 9:30 a.m. Chuck said he has no problem with the pole being on the boundary property line.

1. **Fencing:** There was a discussion regarding the advantages and disadvantages of earthen berms, boulders, guard rails, and fences. Jon explained about cedar split rail fencing which would cost approximately $400 to $1200 for one hundred linear feet. Jim said that locust posts are a good idea. Chuck said he was concerned about the height of any fencing since the goal is to deter vehicles from entering the property but still allowing people to see the river. Bob said his concern was that fence parts would be vandalized and thrown into the river. Ken Norton said that, as an abutter, he would prefer the split rail fence. There was concern that snow plows and snow accumulation might damage the fence. It was agreed that the fencing on Ernie’s should be the same on Salmon Run.

   **MOTION:** Jim Cropsey/Jon Scanlon to rescind an earlier decision to have earthen berms along the property front. Passed unanimously.

   Further discussion ensued regarding the advantages of the split rail fence vs. a sturdier guard rail-type wooden fence. Helen spoke of the aesthetics of split rail fencing. Chuck said he felt strongly in favor of a lower wooden fence.

   **MOTION:** Jon Scanlon/Jim Cropsey to have a split rail fence at the Ernie’s. Passed.

2. **Tilton School fill:** Chuck explained that he, Joyce, and Rip Patten of Credere will be visiting the Tilton School site on Wednesday to check on fill material that the school has offered to the town. He has concerns about what happens to the fill once it is deposited on Ernie’s. Who is responsible for the silt fencing and hay bales. Chuck wants assurances that the fill will be dumped properly and, if it needs to be removed, the town will not be responsible. Is there enough room on Ernie’s or will some fill have to be deposited on Salmon Run? The fill must be off the Tilton School property before July 17.
MOTION: Helen Hanks/Jim Cropsey to allow fill to be stored on Salmon Run provided it is properly protected. Passed unanimously.

3. Deeded Easement: Rick Silverburg explained that the Winnipesaukee Trail Association (WRTA) needs a general approval from the Conservation Commission to construct the trail and bridge on the Salmon Run property so they can apply for grants. They will need a deeded easement on Salmon Run to proceed with their funding applications.

MOTION: Jon Scanlon/Jim Cropsey – To allow continuation of the WRTA trail across Ernie’s onto Salmon Run with the understanding that WRTA may need to hire a new engineering firm with proper credentials to construct the trail. Final approval of the location of the trail will be deferred to the Tilton Conservation Commission. Passed unanimously.

Chuck brought up the issue of the need for an easement on Ernie’s for the trail portion. Rick said that there is also a need for a construction easement.

MOTION: Jim Cropsey/Jon Scanlon – Any easement monies will go directly to the Tilton Conservation Commission funds instead of to the town’s general fund. Passed unanimously.

4. Planting and Trees on Ernie’s: There was a discussion about possible plantings between the parking lot and the trail. They should be easy to maintain, low growing, and have flowers most of the summer. A list of suggestions will be sent to Credere. Bob and Paul Rushlow will be asked to select and mark which trees need to be saved. Their work will be counted as part of the matching grant.

5. Other: Jim brought up the issue of 315 Main Street where parking is planned adjacent to Packer Brook box culvert. There is no fencing on the side of the Aqueduct building and he has a concern about plowing snow into the brook. There is a pile of debris there already. Bob said that a fence should be required. Jon said a chain link fence would help. Chuck said it would prevent dumping of snow but there will still be melting. Chuck will send an email to the Planning Board.

6. Stone Dust: Rick said that WRTA won stone dust at an auction and will be using that on the trail. He wanted the Commission to be aware that there will be construction equipment on the property and there will be a need to make repairs to the property and they will be doing that.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathi Mitchell, Acting Secretary

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