

# Grantham Conservation Commission

## MINUTES

DECEMBER 3, 2018

300 ROUTE 10 SOUTH, GRANTHAM, NH

MEETING CALLED BY	Chairman David Wood
TYPE OF MEETING	Regular Meeting of the Conservation Commission
FACILITATOR	Chairman Dave Wood
NOTE TAKER	David Wood
COMMISSION MEMBERS	David Wood, Sue Buchanan, Dennis Ryan, & Rich Kaszeta
ABSENT	Laura Nagy, John Larrabee, Dick Hocker
SELECTBOARD REP	Peter Garland
OTHER VISITORS	None

Wood called the Grantham Conservation Commission to order on Monday, December 3, 2018 at 7:15 p.m. The meeting was held in the Jerry Whitney Memorial Conference Room at Grantham Town Hall located at 300 Route 10 South in Grantham, NH.

### APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FOR NOV 5, 2018 MEETING

DISCUSSION		
Wood asked if there were any additions, corrections, or modification to the draft minutes of the regular meeting for November, 2018. Numerous errors were presented and updated real time during the meeting.		
Wood announced that he would entertain a motion to approve the June minutes, as modified. A motion was made by Buchanan; seconded by Kaszeta. There being no further discussion, the motion was put to a vote.		
<b>Unanimously Approved &amp; Accepted</b>		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Approved minutes will be submitted for posting	Wood	Dec 4, 2018

### OLD BUSINESS – SHERWOOD FOREST

DISCUSSION		
<b>Game Cameras:</b> Two of the cameras were checked on Dec 2. Buck and doe appeared again. The gun of a hunter was seen on the Red Trail on Nov 16. The hunter was not visible.		
<b>Memo of Understanding:</b> The draft has been revised by the Town Attorney and is being reviewed by Wood.		
ACTION ITEM	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Complete monitoring of game cams	Wood	Jan 7, 2019
Complete review of MoU	Wood	ASAP

### OLD BUSINESS – FISHER LOT

DISCUSSION		
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**Hydroseeding:** Ryan reported that the seeding of flowers was completed on Nov 8 with the third bed from the top receiving a double spray.

**Apple Purchase:** Wood reported that the varieties desired are not currently available. He has been advised to call back after the New Year.

**Fencing:** Pricing has not yet been attempted.

**Logging:** Wood reported that Turner is attempting to hire a contractor to complete the selective logging of the lot.

ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Attempt to order apples	Wood	Jan 7, 2019
Determine the cost for solar powered electric fencing	Kaszeta & Hocker	Jan 7, 2019

**OLD BUSINESS – SHERWOOD FOREST SIGN**

DISCUSSION		
Wood presented a draft of the sign welcoming visitors to Sherwood Forest designed by Craig McArt. Numerous suggestions were made for modification. Buchanan suggested that once the sign is completed paper copies might be posted at Town Hall and the Dunbar Library.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Discuss suggested modifications with McArt	Wood	ASAP

**OLD BUSINESS – SCAVENGER HUNT**

DISCUSSION		
Kaszeta has requested that the scavenger hunt be added to the GCC website.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Assure upload to the web	Kaszeta	Jan 7, 2019

**OLD BUSINESS – WARRANTS FOR TOWN MEETING**

DISCUSSION		
Wood pointed out that the Land Preservation Capital Reserve Fund (LPCRF) can be anticipated to drop below \$50,000 before Town Meeting while land valued at over \$1,000,000 could come on the market in the next few years. In order to obtain an option to purchase, \$100-200,000 needs to be available in the LPCRF. Various options were considered to raise the desired funds. Strategies favored included requesting \$20-25,000 as part of the block of other CRFs submitted at Town Meeting or requesting \$50,000 as a stand alone warrant article. In either case, it was felt that obtaining public support prior to the vote and preparing a compelling presentation for Town Meeting would be important.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Continue to consult with Selectboard re: budget	Wood	Jan 7, 2019
Prepare a draft presentation for GCC review	Wood	Jan 7, 2019

**NEW BUSINESS – Ruger / Dillon property**

DISCUSSION		
Wood reported that Hocker has seen no movement of equipment onto or activity on the Dillon property.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Continue surveillance	Hocker	Jan 7, 2019

**NEW BUSINESS – GCC ANNUAL REPORT**

DISCUSSION		
The draft annual report circulated earlier was reviewed and numerous modifications made.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Revise and submit 2018 Annual Report of the GCC	Wood	Dec 13, 2018

**NEW BUSINESS – FISHER LOT REPAIRS**

DISCUSSION		
Ryan noted that the Fisher cemetery is in disrepair. In particular, the sign needs to be repaired. Wood noted that protection is also needed around the well near the cellar hole.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Propose a plan for repair of cemetery	Ryan	Jan 7, 2019

**HANDOUTS / ACTIVITIES - NONE**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Wood asked if there was any further business. There being none, Buchanan moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. and Kaszeta seconded the motion.

*The Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.*

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Grantham Conservation Commission will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Jerry Whitney Memorial Conference Room on Monday, January 7, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

David Wood  
Grantham Conservation Commission Chair