Dublin Conservation Commission

REVISED DRAFT MINUTES

October 19, 2022

5 PM Town Hall

Members attending: Jay Schechter, Katie Featherston, Felicity Pool, June Brening, Jerry Branch, John Morris and Chris Raymond (Select Board representative) in person and Katy Wardlaw by Zoom.

Operating Budget - \$2,410 remaining. Land Acquisition Fund \$70,341.

Katie F. – possible advocate article topics include invasive of the month and Mud Pond LCIP properties.

Felicity hopes to have overlay mapping done by end of November and start sharing it with property owners.

Rotary Park – Jerry said we need to plan for more gravel for road/parking and picnic tables in next year's budget. Chris mentioned that there may be questions raised about usage numbers for the park and about the possible increased parking and new boat launch area. It would help to have a written map of improvements to document what is being done. The Fauna report is done and will be posted at the park and at town hall. Jerry will ask the author if she would allow the electronic version to be available via link on the town web site. Jerry will investigate having a burn pile to get rid of debris.

Group Liaison – Felicity said she has started contacting other groups about Dublin Lake conservation efforts. The ones she contacted to date are supportive of efforts to preserve the lake.

Katy W. said aquifer information is needed to help the planning board determine land use options going forward. Chris said the Army Corps of Engineers may have test well data. Jerry said he would help review any water table data that is available. She will contact Roger about status of bio logs work on shore area at lake outlet.

Jay said he planned to use the remainder of the meeting for organizing for 2023.

The commissioners agreed to move the meeting to the 2nd Wednesday next year to accommodate members needs.

Possibly request assistance in grant writing from Kay H. who does fire/emergency grant applications. This would be coordinated through Kate Fuller and would only be to help write the grant after we identify a possible grant source.

Katie F. will continue as Treasurer and to write and coordinate Advocate articles. She would also like to identify/pursue grant opportunities

Jerry will continue to pursue Rotary Park maintenance/improvements. It was suggested he contact Suzy Vogel about approaching the Dublin School for help in picnic table construction.

Katy W. said she would continue to pursue mitigation and planting work. She will contact the Garden Club of Dublin regarding native plant awareness. She requested that information received by the Commission regarding planned work be shared to the group. A recent application for a repair to Route 137 by the State was of interest to her.

June will continue to coordinate the Lake Host program.

John said he will continue with secretary and easement monitoring. He will investigate if there are possible access options for the LCIP properties.

Felicity will continue with water focus, aquifer health open space and group liasing.

Adjourn at 6:30 PM

Respectfully submitted, John Morris, Secretary

