Members Present: Not Present:

Michael Dionne, Chair Jack Hackett

Kevin Sullivan Merry Lineweber

Mark Jennings

Deborah Shigo

Michael Kirwan

Barbara Soley

Staff:

Seth Creighton, Chief Planner

**The chair convened the regular meeting at 9:15 am at the Rochester Public Library.**

Mr. Dionne turned the meeting over to Anna Boudreau c/o Truslow Resource Consulting, LLC.

Ms. Boudreau welcomed the members and read through the outline for the day’s “Conservation Easement Monitoring Training” session. Ms. Boudreau gave a PowerPoint presentation on how to properly conduct and document conservation easement monitoring walks. Ms. Boudreau also shared examples of language to include in conservation easement deeds, language that speaks to conducting, reporting, and enforcing monitoring.

At 11:20 am, the members travelled to and continued their meeting at Hope Farm, 36 Peaslee Road. The Commission, staff, and Ms. Boudreau met with Molly Sanborn (property owner) and Danna Truslow c/o Truslow Resource Consulting, LLC. Mr. Sanborn welcomed everyone to the farm. Ms. Truslow explained that they were going to walk the conservation easement bounds and take pictures and notes along the way. The site walk commenced. Mr. Dionne took notes. Ms. Truslow took pictures and marked the path of travel via a GPS smart phone app. Mr. Sanborn explained changes that had been made over the last year, and changes that are proposed to be made over in 2017.

At the end of the site walk Ms. Boudreau reinforced the concepts that were discussed in the training session. Ms. Truslow said she would download the GPS and picture information and email them to Mr. Creighton. Mr. Dionne said he will type up his notes and discuss them at the Commission’s January 25th meeting.

At 2:17 Mr. Kirwan motion to adjourn, Mr. Sullivan seconded. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Seth Creighton, Chief Planner