Hopkinton Open Space Committee Wednesday, February 21, 2024 Hopkinton Town Hall 7:30 p.m. Minutes – DRAFT

Administration

Present: Dijit Taylor, Ron Klemarczyk, Rob Knight, Lucia Kittredge, Alternate: Bill Dunlap

Absent: Sabrina Dunlap, Bob LaPree, Alternates: Lori Sommer, Erin Vanden Borre

Approval of minutes: Public and Non-public minutes for 1/17/24 were approved.

Old Business:

Dave and Kathy Dustin conservation easement update:

Survey: Jeff Evans at Five Rivers is working on lining up a surveyor.

Grant funding administration: Dijit is working on turning over to Five Rivers the grant administration.

Updated appraisal: Dijit and Five rivers are lining up an appraiser to do an updated appraisal.

Trails and parking: Dijit and Rob met with the Dustins, and they are happy to have trails and a trailhead.

The Dustins suggested a good location for a parking area.

Updates:

Trails Committee: No update on the trail map for the village.

Wetlands committee: No update

Class VI roads committee: Recommendations are with the Select Board.

Economic development project for Contoocook village: UNH has issued a report and executive summary with recommendations. Report to be presented on April 3, 2024 at 5:30 at Slusser Center. The report is available at: https://extension.unh.edu/resource/strengthening-connections-downtowns-trails-hopkinton-contoocook-2023

Website and maps: No update

Five Rivers' new Conservation Plan: Plan will be presented at the next HCC meeting, 3/19 at 7:00.

Ron made a motion, seconded by Lucia, to adjourn to non-public meeting per RSA 91 A:3 ii (d) Acquisition of real estate. Vote was unanimous in favor. Committee adjourned to non-public session at 8:00 p.m. Committee returned from non-public session at 9:00 p.m. Ron made a motion, seconded by Lucia, to seal the minutes until the projects discussed become public or are removed from consideration. Vote was unanimous in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m. If necessary to meet next month, the meeting will be: Wednesday, March 20, 2024 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Rob Knight, Secretary