Alstead Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes for January 3, 2018

Present: Sarah Webb, David Moody, Joyce Campbell-Counts

I, Minutes for December 2017 - read and accepted as corrected.

II, Update on Wetlands Inventory - Jeff Littleton has begun some mapping and is developing a press release and flyers. He will attend the ACC February 7, 2018 meeting. We will confirm the February 28 date for his Library presentation. The first invoice for Jeff was paid, \$995.00.

III, Arbor Day - We will plan with Mitch Harrison again this year, as well as develop a program for the 5th Graders at Vilas Middle School. Perhaps a follow-up evaluation of the plantings along the Cold River will be conducted. Such a before-and-after picture could be useful to describe to young kids. Walking the stream with a knowledgeable guide would be instructive.

IV, Town Annual Report - Sarah submitted her ACC Annual Report to Kelly in December.

V, Wellman Pond - How do we handle the non-club ATV use? The problems they create are getting worse. How do vehicles get in? One access is Baine Road. Options are:

1), Education - such as flyers regarding damage caused, and the fact that this is Town Land and access can be regulated.

2), Invite Marlow and Gilsum conservation members to discuss mutual concerns and results they may have from their actions.

3), Talk to Alstead Selectboard regarding environmental damage. Although the board does not want to put land into easements, this would provide some protection.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM Submitted by Joyce Campbell-Counts