

Candia Conservation Commission Jan. 19th, 2016

Present: Chair Susan Wilderman, Betsy Kruse, Dennis Lewis, Vice-Chair Judi Lindsey, Dick Snow (alt.) recording secretary Donna Del Rosso.

Meeting called to order at 7 p.m. followed by the Pledge.

Dick Snow was seated as a voting member.

REGULAR BUSINESS: Judi motioned to accept the minutes as amended, Betsy seconded, no further discussion, motion passed.

Wetland Permit Applications: No new applications at this time.

Land Use/Wetlands/Enforcement Issues/Planning Board: Liquid Planet has been purchased and is being reviewed for some updates. The easement question is being reviewed by the State Compliance Dept., and CCC might just stay in touch with the DES for follow-up answers.

Correspondence: SELT (South East Land Trust) sent in a monitoring report on the Rand property. We also received a brochure from Supply regarding drinking water. From Bear-Paw everyone should have received an invitation to the Annual meeting.

Budget Update/Approval of outstanding payments-invoices: Betsy motioned to pay Donna \$31.28 for Dec. minutes, Judi seconded, no further discussion, motion passed unanimously.

Dick mentioned to keep a monthly record of expenditures for next September, readjusting/re-distribute line items for 2017 budget.

Dick also stated that this year's Newsletter cost more because a heavier (24lb bond) paper was used, we should have told the printer to use 20lb bond paper, additional cost was approximately \$53.

Dick also needs to see if the surplus is being added into the Conservation Fund.

Dennis was not able to purchase the gate materials needed for Hemlock Dr. due to not having funds available at the end of December. We will work on getting the materials needed this year.

Website: Catherine is proactive with any information given and updating the website as needed. Once Susan and committee are done with the Barry Conservation information, Susan will forward the information to Catherine.

Heritage Commission is still working on the joint project to Walk about Town around springtime. Susan will keep us updated. Deb Deckers is moving back onto her Abe Emerson property and is willing to help us capturing older information regarding the area.

Susan asked the members if they had trails or areas for walks to write a little something about it, how long it is, public access etc.

OLD BUSINESS: Betsy reported the Annual meeting on the 30th. Also the Winter Walk which is Saturday (2/20/16 or 2/27/16) which will be at the Fordway Brook.

Lamprey River Water Quality Initiatives- Dick reported that the LRAC is having the Annual meeting on Feb. 28th, up in Deerfield. He is hoping the Deerfield Conservation Committee will be for their concern about the multiple applications from Ever Source. The significant concerns are regarding the electric grid and the continuation of the Northern Pass project.

Susan provided Dick with a topographical map of the area where the Lamprey River tributaries are crossing the roads. The legislation has selected the Lamprey River Water Shed to be a trial project.

Forest Mgmt/Plans for Town Land/Stewardship: Dennis spoke with Fred Borman town forester, and he is willing to come and do a presentation. It will take approximately an hour. Dennis will contact him to see if he is available in May. We will discuss refreshments in the coming months. Dennis will also see if Fred might already have some advertising material.

Betsy reported Bear-Paw is in support to have us put up a Picture Post at the Deerfield Town forest. Betsy will check different ideas for the materials we may use. You upload your pictures to the national website site, so the area can be monitored. The info can be used for environmental issues, climate changes etc. The top will have a small informational sheet with instructions so people will know what the picture post is and what is being done with the pictures. We need to purchase the post but Bear-Paw has the signs and tops (for the posts), and information on how to use the picture posts. There will be town walk available to all interested parties on Sat., May 21st at the Deerfield Town Forest. Information will available as we approach the day.

Dick would like to get some plot/trail maps for Hemlock Dr. He will get an estimated cost and the CCC will review.

Dick would also at some time in the future to ask the town for the abutting property added to the Deerfield Town forest.

Dick would like to speak with Jim Franklin for a perimeter survey for the 38 acres on High St. This property ties into the Gagnon property easement. The CCC will like to stay on track to educate the community for the availability of the trails/forest that are available for walks and/or hikes.

Betsy will follow-up with Brian for the CCC newsletters. Dick will pick them up when they are ready and forward them to the Boy Scouts for distribution.

Other Business: Susan has updated the Barry Conservation scholarship application with current information. The committee decided to keep the 4-H on the Wildside, ages 10-16 which allows more applicants. Deadline and where to send the application will remain the same. **March 15th** will be the deadline and decision can be made that evening. The library, post office, school and other areas will have posters. The members will also send e-mails to all they think might be interested.

Betsy will research the correct process to see if we can have a table at the deliberative session to sell the calendars. Dick suggested to also have a table at the primary vote on Feb. 9th. Betsy will contact Clark Thyng (town moderator).

Dennis will collect all monies from the sale of the calendars and open a new acct. with Donna Becker.

Susan and Donna have joined the Steering Committee for the Master Plan. Save the date: April 15th & 16th for a community involvement weekend.

Judi motioned to adjourn 8:05 p.m., Betsy seconded, no further discussion, motion passed.

Minutes submitted by Donna Del Rosso.