

Town of Candia Conservation Commission 74 High Street Candia, New Hampshire 03034 (603) 483-8101

March 19, 2024 Meeting Minutes - Approved

Chair Judi called the meeting to order at 7pm., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

<u>Present</u>: Chair Judi Lindsey, VC Leon Austin, Tom DiMaggio, Carol Howe, Dick Snow Alt., Ron Laverdure Alt., Admin. Assist. Janet Lewis.

Absent: Ryan Young, April Holmes

Guests: Remy Alff and his mom, and JoJo Michael and her mom

Public Comment: Remy was presented with a scholarship award to the Barry Conservation Camp. He recounted some of the past times he has attended. This being his third year, he is excited about the week-long shooting sports program. Jojo Michael was presented with a scholarship award to the Barry Conservation Camp. She is looking forward to the outdoor experience and is attending the 4-H On the Wildside week-long session.

Regular Business:

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting –Dick made a motion to accept the February 21, 2024 minutes. Tom seconded. All were in favor, motion passed.

2. Wetland Permit Applications: None

3. Land Use/Wetland/Enforcement Issues –Mr. Logan withdrew his appeal for the senior housing proposal that had gone to litigation and was denied. The wetland issue on Lane Road was given notice of required permitting by DES.

4. Correspondence – None

5. Budget Update/Approval of outstanding payments-An invoice for the signs used for the warrant articles at voting is pending. Dick made a motion to have the funds taken from the conservation account. Ron seconded. A discussion about which account to have it taken from ensued. The motion being argued to rather than have it taken from the operating budget, have it taken from the conservation account. Dick withdrew his motion. We will take the funds from the operating budget.

6. Water Resources/Conservation Easements - will be discussed under Other Business

7. Forest Management - Dick spoke about the proposed parking area at the Town Forest Flint Rd. property. A layout plan for the area and a regard for neighbor input was discussed. Jeffrey Wuebbolt submitted an estimate for the work. No decision was made regarding the cost estimate, layout and limiting the access into the woods by motorized vehicles. We will need more information.

Old Business:

GIS mapping program - nothing new Fund Grant application – nothing new Calendar updates-There are still a few calendars left for sale.

New Business:

Election of officers - A question about what the bylaws require. Dick requested a copy of the bylaws. Janet will look in the files. Dick made a motion for the selectmen to reappointed the following to a 3year term – Ryan Young, Carol Howe, and Leon Austin. Tom seconded. Vote in the affirmative. Motion passed. Dick made a motion for the selectmen to appoint Ron Laverdure to become a member and April Holmes to fulfill the alternate position. Tom seconded. All in the affirmative. Motion passed. Dick made a motion to have the selectmen reappoint Judi Lindsey as the Chairperson for a 3year term. Tom seconded. All in affirmative. Motion passed. Dick made a motion for the selectmen to reappoint Leon Austin as Vice-chairperson for a 3year term. Carol seconded. All in affirmative. Motion passed. Tom made a motion for the selectmen to appoint Dick Snow as an alternate for a 3year term. Leon seconded. All in affirmative. Motion passed.

Candia Farmers Market - The commission was invited to set up a display /info table for the June 15th CFM Day (9am-12pm). Judi will set this up and be there.

Bird Talk - Pam Hunt will give a talk about birds and their interesting habits. The Conservation Commission will oversee arrangements in conjunction with the Agricultural Commission. The Smyth Library has offered to sponsor this and we will pay for her milage. A date has been set for Thursday, May 16th. Location to be announced.

Letter to Mr. Trobridge/ NHDES – Cassella Waste wants to develop a landfill site up north near Dalton Lake. This would be waste from out of state. Judi proposed composing a formal letter of opposition from the Conservation Commission and

Other Business:

Newsletter – The Boy Scouts are refunding our payment because the wrong newsletter was sent out with the town report.

Dick made a motion for the planning board to consolidate the lots as passed in the warrant article #27. Carol seconded. Discussion and vote taken, all in affirmative. Motion passed. On Crowley Road 80 acres of land owned by Mr. Harry W. O'Brien was donated to the Town of Candia. Discussion about possibly putting a conservation easement on this.

Barry Camp update – Nothing to add currently Scheduled hikes /trail work – nothing planned at this time

Motion to adjourn by Tom. Seconded by Leon. Vote taken, all in affirmative. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:01pm.

Respectfully submitted, Janet Lewis