

Agricultural Committee Consideration

2 messages

WILLIAM BOTHWELL <heidinbill@comcast.net>
To: "Docmcobb@gmail.com" <Docmcobb@gmail.com>

Mon, Oct 18, 2021 at 5:39 PM

To the Agricultural Board:

I grew up in Candia on a farm with cows, goats, pigs, horses and chickens. I helped my dad mow and bail hay, work in the garden growing fruits and vegetables. I raised my kids in Candia where they did the same. We raised goats and pigs and were very active in 4H as well as gardening.

I got married and left Candia for several years, but never left farm life. I lived close to Candia so me and my kids were active at all of the NH fairs and at the farm in Candia. Although I moved to a neighboring town, me and my family continued to raise farm animals in Candia. We continued to have goats, pigs, chickens, ducks and recently began raising honey bees. We currently have seven hives, ducks, chickens and numerous fruit trees, strawberries, raspberries and vegetables. Over the last couple of years, I have volunteered in setting up the Candia Farmers' Market.

I want to be a part of the Candia Agricultural Committee because I believe it's important to continue the balance between growth and agriculture in the community. I have lived near or at a farm for almost my whole life and I would like to pass my experience and knowledge off to new generations. This is the reason I would like to be selected as an alternate the Agricultural Committee.

Pleas e consider me for the position. Thank you,

Heidi Bothwell

M Cobb <docmcobb@gmail.com>
To: WILLIAM BOTHWELL <heidinbill@comcast.net>

Tue, Oct 19, 2021 at 9:30 AM

Thank you Heidi,
I will forward this to all the commission members and we will discuss and hopefully vote at our next meeting.
Thanks again,
Matt Cobb
[Quoted text hidden]

January 18, 2022

Board of Selectmen,
Candia, New Hampshire
Brian Brock, Chair

Dear Select Board,

At our December 2021 meeting the Agriculture Commission voted unanimously to recommend Hiedi Bothwell for appointment to our fifth alternate position. Ms. Bothwell has a long association with Candia and farming here in town, and has attended several of our meetings and events, participating in discussions about the Farmers Market and other issues. We feel she will provide a significant contribution to the Agriculture commission. This position would be a three year term running to 2025. I am attaching Ms. Bothwells original letter to the commission expressing her interest. If there are any questions, please bring them to my attention.

Thank you for your consideration,

Matthew Cobb,

Chair, Agriculture Commission.

January 20, 2022

Board of Selectmen

Town of Candia, New Hampshire

Brien Brock, Chair

Dear Board

This is in regard to the appointed terms of Agriculture Commission members Robin Vergato, June Petrin, and Matthew Cobb, and Commission alternate Patti Davis. All of these Commission members have terms set to expire in 2022. All four have expressed a desire to continue in their positions with the Agriculture Commission. At our last meeting on January 6, 2022 the Commission voted unanimously (except for abstentions by the members being recommended) to recommend to the Select Board that All 4 be reappointed to 3 year terms ending 2025.

Ms. Vergato has acted as our Secretary for the last 3 years, has been instrumental in many Commission projects including our lecture series and other individual community events. Ms. Petrin has acted as our vice chair, has, together with Patti Davis spearheaded the Farmers market, and has made major contributions to our public outreach in many areas. Dr Cobb has acted as the Commission chair for the last 3 years, been active in the farmers market and lecture series and in coordination with other boards and town organizations. Ms. Davis has worked tirelessly on the Farmers Market and helped greatly with other Commission activities. We feel all 4 of these individuals are important parts of the Commission and ask that they be reappointed.

I would be happy to answer any questions or concerns and will make every effort to be present when this comes onto your agenda.

Thank you again for your consideration,

Matthew Cobb,
Chair, Agriculture Commission

ARTICLE 2.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate as an **Operating Budget**, this operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations vote separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$3,187,543.00. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$3,010,950, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Candia or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

PROPOSED WARRANT ARTICLE

Are you in favor of retaining the Scenic Road status of Crowley Road by affirming the decision of the March 15, 2003 Town meeting approving that designation under RSA 231:157?

Andria Hansen

From:

Michael P. Courtney <mcourtney@uptonhatfield.com>

Sent:

Monday, January 24, 2022 7:53 AM

To:

Boyd Chivers

Cc:

Andria Hansen; brien brock

Subject:

RE: Request for a Legal Opinion (maybe an expedited one)

Happy New Year Boyd:

1. RSA 231:157 does not provide specific language to rescind and thus I would interpret a "no" vote to rescind the scenic road designation.

- 2. Not really. If the Town Meeting voted in 2003 to designate Crowley Road as a scenic road, then there is no reason to affirm this. A vote should only be proposed to rescind the scenic road status. The 2003 vote of the Town should be enough to send a message to any interested person.
- 3. Yes, waste of time.
- 4. The 2003 vote has already resolved this issue. Is there any dispute that the 2003 vote does not apply to the pending Planning Board application? If the Town Meeting wants to rescind the scenic road designation then there should be a warrant article that states expressly to rescind the 2003 Town Meeting vote. If there was a genuine question as to whether a vote was ever made in the past, which often happens when we are researching the status of a road and Town Meeting votes from over 100 years, I would say this article makes sense. But this is from 2003 and there is no genuine question of what the Town did.

Please let me know if you need anything further.

Best, Mike

From: Boyd Chivers <boydchivers@gmail.com> Sent: Sunday, January 23, 2022 10:59 AM

To: Michael P. Courtney <mcourtney@uptonhatfield.com>

Cc: Andria Hansen <ahansen@townofcandia.org>; brien.brock <brien.brock@comcast.net>

Subject: Request for a Legal Opinion (maybe an expedited one)

Hi, Mike:

I have been witness to an application for a subdivision before the Candia Planning Board that has been in process for over 5 years and thought it best to propose a warrant article that may settle the major impediment: Crowley Road's designation as a scenic road. This is to request your opinion as to whether the proposed warrant article is legal or even advisable. Consider the following in support of this request:

- 1. The project, formerly Crowley Woods now Tanglewood Estates, is a 60 lot subdivision wholly within ithe Town of Chester. The only access to this development is via Crowley Road which lies entirely within the Town of Candia.
- 2. By vote of the town in 2003, Crowley Road was designated a scenic road. (I presented the citizen's petition and moved that it be considered at the meeting.)
- 3. Candia subdivision regulations require access to a project of this magnitude be upgraded to arterial road standards.
- 4. The deeded width of the Crowley Road ROW is insufficient to allow the required improvement to bring the road to arterial road standard.
- 5. As previously stated, the application, or previous iterations, has been before the Planning Board for at least 5 years. The width of the Crowley Road's ROW did not increase in that period. Nor did the subdivision regulations change.
- 6. In an effort to bring some sort of conclusion to this impasse, I drafted a warrant article to affirm the 2003 vote designating Crowley Road as a scenic road. The warrant article reads as follows: "Are you in favor of retaining the Scenic Road status of Crowley Road by affirming the decision of the March 15, 2003 Town meeting approving that designation under RSA 231:157?"
- 7. The board of selectmen meets Monday, January 24 at 7PM. It will no doubt ask whether you have been consulted.
- 8. The deadline for getting this warrant article on the ballot is next week hence the request for an expedited response to this request.

Mike, the questions come down to:

- 1. Would a no vote on this warrant article reverse the scenic road designation approved in 2003?
- 2. Is this warrant article helpful by sending a message to the land owner/applicant that the town is resolute in its demand for the protection scenic road status confers on Crowley Road?
- 3. Is this warrant a waste of time as the 2003 vote is sufficient and the town has no obligation to affirm a previous vote?
- 4. Is there a better way to resolve this quandry?

Thanks for your help. Happy New Year.

Boyd Chivers

2021 Recycling Center Totals

MSW (Trash) – **749.95** tons

C&D Debris - **553.39** tons

Total Waste - **1,303.34** tons

Mix Paper - **111** bales - **82.90** tons = \$3,733.39

Cardboard - **131** bales - **93.11** tons = \$9,233.56 *

#1-#7 plastics - 38 bales - 22.93 tons

#2 natural plastic - 7 bales - 2.63 tons

The combined revenue from all plastics = \$10,273

Aluminum Cans – 16 bales – 9.56 tons – not marketed in 2021

Tin cans -13 bales =9.79 tons - not marketed in 2021

Total – **316** bales created weighing **220.92** tons

Glass – **86.82** tons recycled

Scrap Metal – **119.25** tons = \$16,665.42

Non-Ferrous metal -10.02 tons = \$18,294.30

Total Amount Recycled – **437.01** tons

Revenues from Recycling: \$58,199.67 *

^{*}We are still waiting on a check for cardboard, so this figure will change.

Fees:

Bulky Items = \$6,925

Freon Devices - \$4,904

Tv's & Monitors - \$4,790

Tires - \$1901.50

Propane tanks - \$505

Fire Extinguishers - \$90

Total Fees: \$19,115.60

*Total Revenue for 2021: \$77,315.17

We had a load of Aluminum cans marketed late in 2020, which we did not receive a check for until well into January 2021, we initially thought this revenue would be added to 2021. State Auditors had the revenue attributed back to 2020, after the Town reports had been printed, the amount generated from that load of Alum. Cans was, \$17,857.80. This figure was added into the system, but it is not reflected in any printed materials by the Town. Unfortunately, this large chunk of marketing revenue is mostly unknown due to in not being included the Town Report.

December 2021

Candia Recycling Center Monthly Report

	December 2020	December 2021	
M.S.W. (Trash)	76.86 tons	67.25 tons	
C&D Debris	37.82 tons	29.72 tons	
Total waste	114.68 tons	96.97 tons	

Recyclables

	December 2020	December 2021
Mix Paper	11 bales = 9.52 tons	9 bales = 6.41 tons
Cardboard	13 bales = 8.84 tons	11 bales = 7.82 tons
#1 - #7 plastics	4 bales = 2.36 tons	2 bales = 1.16 tons
Alum. Cans	1 bales $= .73$ tons	1 bale = .64 ton
Tin Cans	0	0
#2 natural plastic	1 bale = .33-ton	1 bale = 0.36 tons
Total bales	30 bales = 21.78 tons	24 bales =- 16.39 tons
Glass -	1 load = 11.23 tons	1 load = 11.17 tons
Electronics -	1 load = 3.01 tons	0
Total weight	36.02 tons	27.56 tons

Revenue

December 2020

December 2021

\$0

\$0 *

2020 YTD - \$43,070.82

2021 YTD - 77,315.17

There was one load, approx. 21 tons, of cardboard marketed, as of this writing, we have not yet received the check, which will be approx. \$3200.

Check	Payroll	Total	Payroll
<u>Date</u>	Manifest	Amount	Subtotal
01/20/22	1193-01	23,308.54	23,308.54
01/27/22	1194-01	22,696.29	46,004.83
Check Date	Accts Pay Manifest	Total Amount	Accts Pay Subtotal
Date	Mannest	rinount	Subtotal
01/20/22	202203	39,188.96	39,188.96
01/27/22	202204	34,701.42	73,890.38



I move this board declare its opposition to any request for a waiver of Candia Subdivision Regulations requiring Crowley Road to be upgraded to arterial road standards and that our representative to the Planning Board maintain that position on our behalf.