

Candia Conservation Commission
APPROVED
Meeting Minutes-15 February 2005

Present: Chairman Ed Fowler, Vice-Chairperson E. Kruse, and members T.Giffen, J.Miele, R.Snow, J.Lindsey, D.Levesque, D.Lewis, J.Collette, S.Carrigan, R.Weeks, and guests Bob Berendsen, Bruce Stevens, and Richard + Jane Barns.

E. Fowler called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:09PM. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as presented with the exception of adding R.Weeks to the list of present members, changing the spelling of Buy-a-thon to Biothon, adding "funds" after unexpended in paragraph five and changing \$400 to \$100 also in paragraph five.

E.Fowler went over a major wetlands permit application for the Crowley Woods Development Road Upgrade which consisted of 8,800 feet of road with a total of four wetland impact areas totaling 975 feet. The commission reviewed the plans and chose not to comment.

J. Lindsey reported that at the last planning board meeting they discussed a possible subdivision on Aunt Mary Brook Road although it is discontinued. The Crowley Road subdivision was also going to be coming in front of the board again on 2-16-05. The School Board will also discuss the proposed renovations and addition. E.Fowler also announced that the file had been closed on the resident from Depot Road who needed to restore his land.

E. Fowler reviewed the correspondence received since the last meeting with the commission. Manchester Water Works wrote a letter to the commission expressing their concern about the proposed transfer station stating that it would lie near seasonal streams and wetlands. They also stated that it could interfere with water quality and the water shed.

E.Fowler reported that there was a check for \$4814.15 put into the CC fund for 2 pieces of land taken out of current use.

E.Kruse reported on Bear-Paw activities. The annual meeting on February 12th with guest speaker Kevin Gardner, the author of The Granite Kiss was a success. Plans for the upcoming year include a Blue Grass concert put on by "Down from the Hill" in April, a BioThon on June 11th, and Bike-a-thon on September 24.

J.Miele reported on the Candia Conservation Commission website. Information regarding the warrant article will be added, with the opportunity for residents to ask questions through email. J.Lindsey agreed to help work on a press release to let the public know that the site is up and running.

R.Snow reported on the UNH Student Project. P.Lamie, and R.Snow met with the students who will be working on the project.

E.Fowler reported that he will be contacted Charles Moreno and he has not yet found someone to do the work on the North Road forest management project. The job will probably not be completed this winter. The hope is that another small job comes up in the same area to make it worth the time.

J.Lindsey reported on the Open Space subcommittee. The brochure is ready to go out and the newsletter is being edited. The next meeting will be held 2-23-05 at 7pm.

Guest B.Stevens who owns +-75 acres off Raymond Road, also known as Map 406 Lot 203, which is a landlocked piece of land, contains a half mile of river frontage, and a large amount of wetlands. Mr. Stevens is working with abutters, Mr. and Mrs. Barns, on allowing a right-of-way to the property. Mr.Stevens attended the meeting to gather information about a possible easement on the property. The commission agreed to do an appraisal on the land which could take up to 6 months. A tentative date on March 26th was set for a site walk.

E.Fowler announced that a town resident, who is attending Grove City College in the area of wetland conservation, is interested in putting together a power point presentation for the public. A date in May will be set.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55pm. The next regular monthly meeting will be on Tuesday, March 15th, 2005 commencing at 7:00pm in the Town Office Building, 74 High Street, Candia.

Respectfully Submitted By:
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