



**Town of Candia**  
**Conservation Commission**  
74 High Street  
Candia, New Hampshire, 03034  
Meeting Minutes

May 16, 2017 Minutes Approved

Present: Chair Susan Wilderman, Vice-chair Judi Lindsey, Dennis Lewis, Betsy Kruse, Mark Laliberte, and Dick Snow (alternate). Absent: Ellie Davidson

**Public Comment Period:**

Guest: Eric Mitchell, came in to speak (for DRA owners) in regards to the sub-division (180 acres) on Crowley Rd. Dredge and fill permit has been submitted to both Chester and Candia Planning Boards. There are (4) wetland crossings (included on the wetland permit), for a total of 9K sq. ft. There is only 1 wetland crossing in Candia. Town of Chester would be deeded the Candia portions of the entry/exit roads so they would be responsible for the maintenance. Public hearing in June for Candia (3<sup>rd</sup> Wed. of month) & Chester (2<sup>nd</sup> Wed. of month). Wetland permit has been received by the Conservation Commission. Dennis reported comments previously discussed: the developer would shim and overlay all of Crowley Rd (from Chester Rd to Lane Rd.), the 90` corner would be changed to either a 2 or 3 way stop. Abutters will be receiving letters in the next couple of days.

Dan Kern – Has a grant application (1/2 cost of total appraisal) currently for the survey of Sanborn 280 acres. Fowler 30 acres for a donation easements (no current grant in place). There may be ARM & LCHIP grants available along with other grants due to the land falling between two (2) different water sheds. The Conservation Commission feels this donation of the easements is beneficial to the town due to the un-fragmented area in which they lie. They would like to go forward with the project.

Betsy motioned to pay up to \$3500 towards the appraisal costs from the Conservation Fund, Judi seconded, no further discussion, motion passed unanimously.

Dan might come to the CCC board for more funds for transaction costs.

Mr. Sanborn asked for a copy of the minutes to be mailed to his residence, which will be done by recording secretary Donna.

**Regular Business:**

1. Minutes: Judi motioned to accept the minutes as amended, Betsy seconded, no further discussion, motion passed. Mark and Dick abstained.

2. Wetland Permit Applications – The commission reviewed the application from the Crowley Rd. subdivision as far as the Development of Regional Impact is concerned. The Commission will sign the application but Betsy and Susan will work on a letter regarding the Tanglewood project to the Candia Planning Board expressing the CCC concerns for their June 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. Chester Planning Board, Chester Conservation Commission, DES and Southern NH Planning Commission would be cc'd. Susan will reach out to Charles Myette (Chester Conservation

Commission) to see what their concerns might include. Some concerns included: traffic dangers to wildlife, wetland impact etc. The commission will also research the NH Wildlife action plan.

3. Land Use/Wetlands/Enforcement Issues/Planning Board – Judi reported exit 3, the abutters are concerned with the buffer between the residents and the expansion of Irving. Betsy was concerned with the location of the leach field. Dick asked Judi if she would ask the Planning Board to do a transportation study of the area, with the additional traffic.

4. Correspondence – Ellie was absent, but informed Chair Susan, that nothing new was received. Dick received a trail map from Sue Hayden on her Hemlock Dr. property.

5. Budget Update/Approval of outstanding payments/invoices – Judi motioned to pay Donna \$83.33, Betsy seconded, no further discussion, motion passed unanimously. Betsy motioned to have Trustees of the Trust Fund reimburse Dennis the amount for receipts received (\$495) from the Deb Bell Levesque Scholarship camp, Judi seconded, no further discussion, motion passed. Dennis abstained. Dennis will then sign over the check to the CCC scholarship fund. Mark reported as of 12/31/16 Forest Mgmt. has \$8707.44 and Conservation Fund has \$265,704.67 in the budget.

6. Conservation Commission Website – Susan reported the calendar has 2 (two) different events listed for this weekend. Saturday will be Flint Rd. from 9-12 with the Boy Scouts. Sunday's event was listed as a mistake, however Susan will go to the Deerfield Rd. Town Forest for a trail walk if any residents show up.

7. Joint Project with Heritage Commission – The Conservation Commission was very impressed with the outcome of support, approximately 30 people. Susan received some positive comments from the residents. Judi took pictures and will submit them to Catherine for the website.

### **Old Business:**

1. Land Trust reports – Nothing new to report.

2. Water Quality Initiatives – Dick spoke about MS4 – regarding 44 towns affiliated and thanked the Commission for the support of the warrant article for the \$200 to the Southeast Water Shed Alliance. Dick reported the Commission did not receive a donation request from the Lamprey River Advisory Committee this year. He reported they don't want to go any further up the river than Raymond.

Dick feels there are three important things to keep in mind regarding the MS4: A. water runs down hill, B. water doesn't respect political boundaries, C. nobody tells Mother Nature what to do. Dick feels whatever happens to the water system the town will be responsible to fund it.

3. Forest Mgmt/Plans for Town Land/stewardship – Dennis reports that Charlie will have the plans ready for the next meeting.

Dennis also reported that if SB129 does not pass, it will change the way bio-mass plants operate. Towns will have to pay for someone to come in and chip the slash in the logging areas instead of selling the chipped material to the bio-mass plants and it would wipe out the low-grade wood market.

**Other Business:**

1. 2017 calendar – Update: Members will continue to keep the word out for submission of pictures. Mark will post on the Candia NH Community Awareness Group as well.

Susan will be unavailable for June and July meeting. She will be back for Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Mark motioned to adjourn @ 8:40 p.m., Betsy seconded, no further discussion, motion passed unanimously.

Next meeting: Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> @ 7 p.m.