

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

April 16, 2019 Approved minutes

Meeting called to order @ 7 p.m. by Vice-chair Judi Lindsey followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Vice-chair Judi Lindsey, Dennis Lewis, Betsy Kruse, Leon Austin, alt. Dick Snow and Administrative Assistant Donna Del Rosso. Dick was designated a voting member. Absent: Chair Susan Wilderman.

# **Public Comment Period**

**Guests:** Bruce Gilday presented some plans for dredge and fill for Patten Hill Rd for landowner Richard Holt. Plans were reviewed for a single driveway across wetlands; Bruce reported there is no threat to "endangered" species or any historical threat. CCC's copy of the application was signed by Vice-chair Judi and given back to Bruce.

Kim Martineau – Girls Scout Leader has 7 girls all in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade (about 13 yrs. old). Kim is looking for a project for her girls. CCC members discussed some options for consideration; Kim will discuss with the girls and get back to the Commission.

Suggestions included: The sign and the bridge are missing from the New Boston Rd. Conservation Area. Trail cleaning was also offered as well. The trail in back of Moore School (Bog Bridge) may also be an option.

#### **Regular Business:**

1. Dennis motioned to accept the minutes as amended. Betsy second. Motion passed. Dick and Leon abstained.

2. Wetland Permit Applications: Plans for the parcel of landowner Thompson on Brown Rd. Members reviewed plans for a driveway beside the rail bed to access a building lot. Wetlands impact total of approximately 7,585 sq.' ft. have members concerned and Vice-chair Judi will draft a letter to have landowner and/or representative come to a meeting to discuss. DES will also get a copy of the plans and may also have some concerns. Also see above: Guest #1

3. Land Use/Wetlands/Enforcement Issues: Dick reported the Agriculture Commission is up and running, first order of business will be to map out all Candia's water & agricultural resources.

Scott Davis changed his subdivision application from major to minor (Critchett Rd.) but CCC members still are concerned regarding the back lot and further subdivision.

Betsy questioned the AOT on North Rd. Dennis reported that the lots are being sold and concerns regarding the flood issues still need to be addressed.

Conservation Easement has been approved for Manchester Water Works on the Candia side.

4. Correspondence: Betsy reported the Commission received the following: Newsletter from DES, 2 Bear-Paw Newsletters and a Monitoring Report for the Rand property.

5. Budget Update/Approval of outstanding payments: Dick reported that there is currently \$8K in the Forest Fund.

# **Old Business:**

1. Water Resources: Dick reported the South East Watershed Alliance is reviewing storm water mgmt. with town's ordinances/regulations.

### **Other Business:**

1. Review of Hemlock Dr. Forest Mgmt. Plan 2019 action items: Members are working on planning a "volunteer" work day for maintenance on Hemlock Dr. Japanese knotweed and Bittersweet are the concerns of the members. Members will research the best ideas to combat the invasive plants without harming other surrounding plant life. Dennis will install the gate when time permits.

2. Update on CCC kids club: Vice-chair reported she is working with the 2 groups of kids and they are very receptive to learning about conservation. The kids also worked on the 14 critter crossing signs.

3. Other: Critter Crossing signs are ready for April 27<sup>th</sup> for Roadside clean-up. Vice-chair Judi will have a sign-up sheet as they get distributed.

Betsy wanted to know if any plans had been decided regarding the meeting of Committees and Commissions with the BOS, nothing has been decided yet. Camp scholarship winner is all set and very excited to go and will report after he returns.

The CCC website now has a link that attaches the "Kids CCC".

Betsy motioned to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. Leon second. No further discussion. Motion passed.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Administrative Assistant Donna Del Rosso.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 @ 7 p.m.