



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

May 19th, 2020 Approved Minutes

Present: Vice-chair Judi Lindsey, Betsy Kruse, Dennis Lewis, Leon Austin and Admin. Assistant Donna Del Rosso. Video conference: Dick Snow. Roll call done. Absent: Susan Wilderman.

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

Video conference guests: Katrina Amaral and Rebecca Hopkins (resident).

Guest Speaker: Katrina Amaral (Bear Paw) wanted to introduce herself with the commission. Katrina was wondering if the Philbrick property (52 acres minus the house lot), might be something the CCC would be interested in doing an easement due to being agricultural and is an unfragmented valuable parcel property. Members were very interested in acquiring an easement on Map 410 Lot 107. Katrina has not done an appraisal yet. Dick was interested in when the appraisal may be done, Katrina was uncertain due to the current situation (Covid-19). Dennis reported the commission may be able to help with the transaction cost(s). Katrina will explore grant opportunities. The landowners (Philbrick's) may do the appraisal at their convenience. Once the appraisal is done Katrina will bring it to the Bear-Paw land protection and if it is approved to proceed with the project.

Dick will e-mail Katrina a list of other Town owned and residential properties the CCC may like to have a potential conservation easement on.

Regular Business:

1. Minutes of previous meeting: Remove "This will only be an informational meeting due to lack of quorum...quorum was present". Betsy motioned to accept as amended. Vice-chair Judi second. Accepted as amended. Dennis, Leon and Dick abstained.
2. Wetland Permit Applications: Nothing new was received.
3. Land Use/Wetlands/Enforcement Issues: Dennis had nothing new to report.
4. Correspondence: Monitor reports from RCD for Pepper, Critchett and Rand Easements were done 2/2020.
Wetlands Best Mgmt. Practice Techniques from DES.
Newsletter from Bear-Paw,
Betsy will take it the rest home, go through it and report @ the June 16th, 2020 meeting.
5. Budget Update/Approval of outstanding payments: Donna will bring any unpaid timesheets not paid to the next meeting.
Vice-chair Judi will submit invoices (critter crossing signs) to Donna Becker.
6. Water Resources: Nothing new to report currently.
7. SNHPC update: Dick suggested the members to watch their meetings.

Other Business:

1. Newsletter: Invoice from last year has been paid.
2. Election of Officers: Betsy nominated Vice-chair Judi as Chair (accepted).
Roll call: Betsy, Dennis, Leon and Dick voted yes.
Dick nominated Leon as Vice-chair (accepted).
Roll call: Dick, Chair Judi, Dennis and Betsy voted yes.
3. Barry Camp Update: Due to Covid-19 Barry Camp Conservation is cancelled.
This year's winner will be grandfathered in for next year. Dennis will contact them to see what will happen for the next year (2021) winner.
4. Informational from StormSafe e-mail – Website links, Catherine doesn't recommend outside links being connected to the town website.
5. Calendar updates: Members could not verify due to Town Hall and Library being closed.
6. CCC Kids Club – Vice-chair Judi reported on the club they have not met due to Covid-19. Vice-chair Judi has been e-mailing pictures to the kids to keep them informed.
7. Other: logging project near heron rookery (Flint Rd/Libbee Rd) information to follow.
Betsy was interested if the BOS could keep the CCC informed if there were any questions/concerns with specific properties (wetland etc.). Chair Judi will check with Chair Sue Young in regard to Flint Rd/Libbee Rd. Members will discuss options going forward.

An e-mail was received from a resident regarding Japanese knotweed (Patten Hill) residents can contact Dennis Lewis if removal is required. Betsy will contact the resident. This is a new program offered through the road agent (Dennis Lewis).

Dick will submit an action report for the next meeting. He would also like to figure out how to attract new members.

Betsy motioned to adjourn @ 7:58 p.m. Dennis second. No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Administrative Assistant Donna Del Rosso.