

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

Sept. 15th, 2020 Approved minutes

Present: Vice-chair Leon, Dennis Lewis, Betsy Kruse, Dick Snow and Administrative Assistant Donna Del Rosso. Absent: Chair Judi Lindsey.

Meeting called to order @ 7 p.m. by Vice-Chair Leon, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Regular Business:

- 1. Minutes of Previous meeting: Dennis motioned to accept the minutes as presented. Betsy second. No further discussion. Leon-yes, Dennis-yes, Betsy-yes, Dick-abstained, motion passed.
- 2. Wetland Permit Applications nothing new received.
- 3. Land Use/Wetlands/Enforcement: Dennis reported regarding the New Boston Rd property erosion issue is still a problem. The Bldg. Inspector, 2 BOS members, a representative from DES, Road Agent-Dennis Lewis, AOT (alteration of terrain) board representative, Town Engineer, the Developer and 2 homeowners were present for the meeting. BOS put a Cease and Desist order on the empty lot. The developer needs a permit from AOT. The Town Engineer needs to develop a bond, which DES will review and recommendations as needed.
- 4. Correspondence: Supply Lines Newsletter received from DES.
- 5. Budget Update: All invoices paid up to date. BOS had no questions and last year's budget was submitted and approved.
- 6. Water Resources: Dick had nothing new to report.
- 7. SNHPC: Dick reported that Rockingham Planning Commission presented a H2O resources workshop, which mentioned the South East Water Shed Alliance twice.

Dick also asked members to look over the H2O resource list that includes wetland crossings, culverts etc.

New/Other Business:

1. Newsletter: Betsy is working on filling the page with updated news and activities. Isaac Plante will also be contacted to promote his Eagle Project in the Newsletter.

2. Barry Camp Update: Due to Covid-19 restrictions, there may be two (2) winners going to camp next year, Dennis will contact the camp to see what we need to do, to secure two (2) spots.

Applications will be due in Jan. 2021, members will post information on various websites in Candia.

3. Calendar Updates: Members will go through pictures and pick for 2021 calendar after this meeting.

4. CCC Kids Club: Chair Judi was not present.

5. Old Home Day/Wood sculpture raffle: OHD was cancelled. Wood sculpture was raffled off on the last Cruise Night at Exit 3. Leon reported approximately \$585 was collected from sales for the Bear raffle. Members thanked Leon for all his hard work.

6. Community Conservation Cohort online workshop: Chair Judi and Vice-chair Leon are participating. Leon reported that there is approximately 30 people from surrounding towns. They have resources and websites for the members to review. Leon indicated that they are currently reviewing SELT (South East Land Trust), what they do, how they help etc. including Conservation Easement vs. towns purchasing land.

7.Dick wanted to know if the CCC had heard of a landowner interested in purchasing two (2) properties on Donovan Rd., owned by the town but under CCC's supervision, (404-115/4.6 acres & 404-118/10 acres). Scott Blevens is interested in the larger piece. CCC members discussed sending a letter to the BOS to discuss options.

8.Betsy will draft a letter, forward it to Vice-chair Leon regarding Isaac Plante's request for his Eagle Project, members think it is a great idea and the BOS will need to approve.

9.Betsy recommended that we invite Jeff Littleton of Moosewood Ecological via Zoom for the meeting. CCC is looking to see what we would need to update the NRI. The commission is looking to see the cost for next year's budget. We need to put in a warrant article for cost. The last time this was done was about 10 yrs. ago. Master Plan and NRI should be compatible.

Critter Crossing Signs should be removed by Oct. 1st and stored for the winter. Vice-chair Leon will check with Chair Judi to see if she has a current list of sign holders.

The BOS at last meeting approved all the requests for the continuation of CCC members that needed to be reinstated.

Dennis motioned to adjourn @ 7:40 p.m. Betsy second. No further discussion. Vice-chair, Leon-yes, Betsy-yes, Dennis-yes, Dick-yes. Motion passed.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Administrative Assistant Donna Del Rosso.

Commission members went into a workshop to select calendar pictures for 2021.