



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

Jan. 19th, 2021 Meeting minutes Approved

Present: Chair Judi Lindsey, Vice-chair Leon Austin, Betsy Kruse, Dick Snow, Lindsey White (alt.) who was sworn in by Deputy Town Clerk Donna Hetzel and Admin. Assistant Donna Del Rosso.

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

Public Comment Period: Moment of Silence to Honor and Remember Dennis Lewis.

Regular Business:

1. Minutes of Previous meeting: Vice-chair Leon motioned to accept the minutes as amended. Betsy second. No further discussion. Dick-yes, Betsy-yes, VC Leon-yes, Chair Judi-yes, Lindsey-abstained. Motion passed.
2. Wetland Permit Applications: Nothing new received. Lindsey offered to review any wetland issues. Betsy will inform the Town Clerk so Lindsey will have access to permit applications.
3. Land Use/Wetlands/Enforcement Issues: Nothing new to review.
4. Correspondence: We received a monitoring report for the Rand property. Chair Judi will review and report next month. Chair Judi will check with the BOS regarding the Blevens property.
5. Budget Update/Approval of outstanding payments: Admin. Assist. turned in Dec's duties, but Nov. was not given at this time.

6. Water Resources: Dick would like to have GIS and the town maps work together and offered to research some options. Dick reported that there was 30K in the Land Use office budget to change the Assessor software to GIS then the town maps could be updated to GIS.

7. SNHPC update: Dick is working with the Planning Commission. He would like to rebuild the old Depot station with updated information, showing trails, parking etc.

Dick would like to see the Conservation Commission signs (9-10) up on poles and put in the town's conservation areas. Chair Judi and VC Leon will work on this project.

Dick also mentioned the old washed-out bridge across from the old dump site.

New/Other Business:

1. Update on Warrant Article 29: LUCT (Land Use Change Tax), RSA 79 A:1. Members discussed the wording of the article information and changes were made.

VC Leon motioned to accept the warrant article information as amended and be submitted by the Conservation Commission. Betsy second. No further discussion.

VC Leon-yes, Dick-no, Betsy-yes, Chair Judi-yes, Lindsey-yes. Motion passed.

CCC members discussed the questions asked by the BOS regarding the funds in the Conservation Fund. Chair Judi will be able to provide information to the residents at the SB2 meeting.

Lindsey will research how to label properties regarding easement, conservation easements etc. VC Leon may be able to use the Auto-CAD system and update properties, he will research.

2. Newsletter: Betsy will replace priceless/invaluable with extraordinary.

3. Barry Camp Recipient selection/Update:

4. Rules for hunting, tapping & other activities on Con. Easement land: Tabled for another time.

5. Mitigation funded projects: Chair Judi will keep Commission updated with any information received. Betsy would like to have COPART hold off on their paperwork in order to select a project. Chair Judi will e-mail Tom Severino for an update, and to let him know we would like to utilize the ARM funds.

6. Calendar Updates:

7. CCC Kids Club/transition ideas: Nothing new to report.

8. Community Conservation Cohort online workshop: VC Leon and Chair Judi are still involved. Deerfield Town Forest, Trail Trackers might do the maps if we give them permission (only) to add to their website of walking forests in Candia. Mark trails, invasive/poisonous areas, etc.

Grant money may be available for the foot bridge on Cons. Land. on New Boston Rd.

9. Honor Dennis Lewis:

Betsy motioned to adjourn @ 8:55 p.m. VC Leon second. No further discussion.

VC Leon-yes, Betsy-yes, Dick-yes, Chair Judi-yes. Motion passed.

Members discussed the (red) items.

3. Barry Camp – 3 applications were received; Chair Judi read the letters and Leah was selected as the 2021 winner. Chair Judi will contact the camp to see if 2020 and 2021 recipients could both go this year.

6. Calendar updates – tabled for next month.

9. Honor Dennis Lewis – members discussed changing Deb Bell Levesque Scholarship to Levesque/Lewis Scholarship.

Respectfully submitted by Admin. Assistant Donna Del Rosso.