



Town of Candia
Conservation Commission
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August 15, 2023 Meeting Minutes- Approved

Chair Judi called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Chair Judi Lindsey, Leon Austin VC, Dick Snow, Tom DiMaggio, Carol Howe, Ryan Young, April Holmes, Ron Laverdure, Admin. Assist. Janet Lewis

Guests: Charlie Moreno

Public Comment Period: Charlie Moreno came to update us on the Flint Road property that had selective cutting and is now finished. The property is 64 acres located off the end of Hemlock Drive. In 2004 this forest had been thinned. This is the second cutting and was done by a cut to length method which is a low impact method. Some areas were opened-up to allow for seedlings to take hold. About 50,000 board feet were taken out according to a plan that separate the various grades according to value. The volumes are tallied each day and are compiled then all the information is transferred to a spreadsheet. Funds from the timber sale will be deposited in the Forest Management fund. Only about 1/5 of the forest was harvested to maintain the sustainable forest management plan. Removing only some improves the forest. Fifteen years is generally the time span between cuttings.

It was decided to do a site walk this fall to make a trail plan as the old trail is hard to follow.

Regular Business:

1. Minutes of previous meeting – Dick made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Tom seconded. Judi abstained as she was absent. All others in agreement. Motion passed.
2. Wetland Permit Applications -None
3. Land Use/Wetlands/Enforcement Issues -The New Boston Rd. development is still in deliberation.
4. Correspondence –An announcement about an upcoming presentation by the UNH-T2 center about winter road maintenance and its effects on the environment was received.
5. Budget Update/ Approval of Outstanding Payments-Town budget meeting is on Sept 15. Budgets need to be turned in by the 7th. Ryan will write up an updated budget report and send out to commission members for review
6. Conservation Easements/Water Resources – Dick spoke about conservation easements for some of the town owned land being started and possible warrant articles.
7. Forest Management-Flint Road harvest report from Charlie Moreno, Forester.

Old Business:

1. GIS mapping – nothing new to report
2. Fund Grant applications – It was suggested to have a project to apply for next year. Maybe a project that requires mitigation. Open to ideas for this.

New Business:

1. Calendar Update – We should plan to pick the calendar photos at our September meeting. More new photos are needed or we can go back and look in the inventory. It will be posted again to remind people. Talked about formatting on the calendar for adding info about various meetings using the town calendar and/or other things to consider. We will return to this idea and decide before sending in final submissions to printer.
2. Barry Conservation Camp – Note from Randy Bruno’s mother saying what a great time Randy had at camp. He can come and tell us about his experience in the fall if he would like to do so.
3. Old Home Day – Logistics are all set, table, tent, banner, things for the table, maps of trails and forests.

Other Business: None

Dick made a motion to adjourn. Tom seconded. All in agreement. Motion passed. Chair Judi closed the meeting at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Lewis