

Town of Candia

Conservation Commission 74 High Street Candia, New Hampshire 03034 (603) 483-8101

Sept 19, 2023 Meeting Minutes - unapproved

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

<u>Present</u>: Chair Judi Lindsey, Tom DiMaggio, Ryan Young, Ron Laverdure Alt. seated for Leon Austin, Dick Snow Alt. seated for Carol Howe, Admin. Assist. Janet Lewis.

Absent: Leon Austin, Carol Howe, April Holmes

Guests: None

Regular Business:

- 1. Minutes of Previous Meeting –Tom made a motion to accept the August 15, 2023 minutes as corrected. Dick seconded. All were in favor, motion passed. Minutes from the Sept. 5, 2023 town forest walk at Flint Road will be revisited.
 - 2. Wetland Permit Applications: None
 - 3. Land Use/Wetland/Enforcement Issues –Nothing new
- 4. Correspondence Rockingham Conservation District notices of annual easement monitoring on the Pepper easement and the Critchett easement, both on Critchett Road. Both were approved, there were no changes.
- 5. Budget Update/Approval of outstanding payments-webmaster payment was done. Ryan attended the recent budget meeting.
- 6. Water Resources/Conservation Easements -Conservation easements on the two properties on Chester Turnpike can be put together as one property conserved. A property pre-appraisal was done. A submission of an application for a conservation easement is an estimated cost of \$2,100. We will use Conservation funds to pay this. Janet made a motion to pay Macia Beasey's invoice of \$1,500. for her preliminary appraisal. Dick seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

7. Forest management – Judi and Dick will be meeting with Bear-Paw to talk about the New Boston Road parcels being put together under one conservation easement. The meeting is set for October 27.

The two pieces of town-owned property that are land locked off Chester Turnpike should be also put into conservation easements. A warrant article needs to be submitted for 411-36 +411-38 to be under the management and control of the Conservation Commission.

The timber cutting on Flint Road was a good example of how town-owned land, that is managed by the Conservation Commission, benefits from forest management financially as well as being good for the forest. \$11,000. was taken in from the managed timber harvest. This money goes directly into the Conservation Commission forestry fund to be used for further management of town forests that are ready for this kind of work.

Old Business:

GIS Demonstration - go on website to find what is there any time.

Fund Grant application – nothing new

New Business:

Calendar Update- photos for the calendar will be chosen after the meeting tonight.

Other Business:

Barry Conservation Camp- Liela Michaels will come in Nov to speak about her camp experience this past summer at Barry Conservation Camp.

Scheduled hikes/trail work – Anyone who would like to schedule these is welcome to do so.

Old Home Day -suggestions for expanding on the information available to residents to give a better idea of the trails and information about town-owned properties that they can take away with them to use. A QR code for the maps would also be helpful. An update on what the things the commission has been doing over the year was also suggested.

Motion to adjourn by Dick. Seconded by Tom. Vote taken - all in affirmative. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at $7:40 \,\mathrm{pm}$.

Respectfully submitted, Janet Lewis