



Town of Candia
Conservation Commission
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May 20, 2025 Meeting Minutes- Unapproved

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

Present: Judi Lindsey, Chair, Leon Austin, VC, Carol Howe, Ron Laverdure, Dick Snow, Alt. seated for Ryan Young, Admin. Assist. Janet Lewis

Absent: Tom DiMaggio, Ryan Young

Guests: Selectman Boyd Chivers, Richard Sager of NH Tax Deed & Property Auctions, Paul Frazier, Tyler Frazier, Dylan Frazier, Lucas Frazier

Public Comment Period: Selectman Chivers came to the Conservation Commission to gather input on the commission's interest on properties that can be sold. The intent and purpose of selling off town-owned land is to raise money for the Capital Reserve Fund and to be later used as capital for the Future Police Station. Money already spent on the Police station he referred to as a stranded asset. Municipal buildings and land are not on the list of properties. (The list can be found on page 74 of the 2024 Town Report.) Mr. Chivers introduced Richard Sager from NH Tax Deed & Property Auctions. He presented the 19 locations on a map that correspond to ones of interest on the list. Discussion began with three properties labeled private land that the town has possession of. The history of those parcels is uncertain and will need further research. There are seven properties that the CC regards as important to conserve, some of which are managed by the CC. Some have been labeled public access on the map and are conservation parcels that have signage, trails, and forest management the CC has responsibility for. Leon suggested that the forester that we hire to manage the town forests be consulted for future projections of the timber values. It was decided this was a good thing to do. The board will present recommendations with reasons not sell all seven properties and submit it to the Selectboard. Dylan Frazier made a comment about Candia being a rural community where he grew up and having it preserved for the future generations. He found the information presented informative and the residents needs to pay attention to things happening. The Frazier family are strong supporters of our cause. There will be a second hearing with the Commission and hearings with the Planning Board.

Regular Business:

1. Minutes of August meeting – Carol made a motion to accept the minutes. Ron seconded. All in agreement. Motion passed.

2. Wetland Permit /Applications -None
3. Land Use/Wetlands/Enforcement Issues – Tanglewood Development is now inactive.
4. Correspondence – NH Turtle Rescue information for injured turtles, A monitoring report for the Sanborn's easement was received.
5. Budget Update/ Increase & Approvals – Janet's hours submitted to be signed by Judi. Nothing else new currently.
6. Conservation Easements/Water Resources –One response was received regarding the RFP s for the Chester Turnpike property easement. Lump sum \$14,000. with all options added that were presented. We will discuss this further at our June meeting.
7. Forest Management – Jeff Wuebbolt has had to reschedule plans to put in the parking lot on the Flint Road. He is planning to do the work in June.

Old Business:

1. GIS mapping – nothing new
2. Fund Grant applications – nothing new

Other Business:

1. Old Home Day – OHD is August 23rd. The application has been sent to reserve a spot at Moore Park.
2. Barry Camp update – none
3. Scheduled hikes/trail work – Nothing planned at this time

Dick made a motion to adjourn. Carol seconded. All in favor. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Lewis