



**Town of Candia**  
Conservation Commission  
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**June 17, 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, Tom Di Maggio, Carol Howe, Ron Laverdure, Ryan Young, Dick Snow, Admin. Assist. Janet Lewis

**Absent:** None

**Guests:** Adam Carson, ([adamcarson24@gmail.com](mailto:adamcarson24@gmail.com)), Steph and Cynthia Landeau, Victor Chouinard, Chester CC Chair.

**Public Comment Period:** Adam is interested in volunteering to work with the Conservation Commission. He is working towards an Environmental Science degree and is especially interested in wildlife and interactions with environmental impacts. Trails work with identifying information is an ongoing project for us. Adam is willing to identify specific items like species of trees, invasives, wildlife species in particular habitats, and lead a hike that could include this kind of information.

Steph Landeau is Chair. of the Chester Selectman's Board. He and his wife came to discuss the long-term problem that is the property off Crowley Road and in the town of Chester. Crowley Rd. is a scenic road in Candia, and cannot be improved to accommodate traffic for a development on the Chester land. (180 acres, Tanglewood Del.)) Mr. Landeau is investigating the possibility of using the property as a regional place for the public to use. The town of Chester owns an abutting 50acre piece of property. The Landeau's own an abutting 10acre property. Victor spoke about having the land owned by conservation easement type of use to protect the surrounding area. One concept that is becoming an option is having what is called a 'live' or 'green' burial area which involves using no casket and materials that add pollution to the environment. It is all-natural decomposition returning to the earth. Parts of the land could still have trails for the public to use. Area conservation commissions could own this area, and a land trust might be interested in holding a conservation easement. These ideas are only preliminary and can develop into more information as it becomes an option other than a housing development.

**Regular Business:**

1. Minutes of Previous meeting –Ron made a motion to accept the minutes of the May meeting. Carol seconded. Tom and Ryan abstained. All in agreement. Motion passed.

2. Wetland Permit Applications – A resident questioned the area being filled in on Brown Road that belongs to Michael Thompson. DES was contacted and they confirmed that he did get a permit (that is many years old) and will investigate the situation for any violations.
3. Land Use/Wetlands/Enforcement Issues – A walk on Fogerty Road revealed that there were No-Trespassing signs on town owned conservation land. A registered letter was mailed to William Socha informing him to remove them.
4. Correspondence – Judi attended the DES Water Source, Water Protection Conference and brought back information.
5. Budget Update/ Increase & Approvals – Jeffrey Wuebbolt has submitted the bill for the work at the Flint Rd. parking area. Ryan sent it in for processing which is a 2-week window.
6. Conservation Easements/Water Resources – Dick reported that there are more properties that are not to be sold that are excluded from Boyd's list and needs to be adjusted. Concerning the RFP -Only one quote to do the work for surveying, marking, etc. on the Spencer property was received. The next RFP should be done for the D. Lewis Town Forest.
7. Forest Management – The parking lot on the Flint Road Town Forest is done. Ron took photos. Judi suggested having some uploaded to the website.

#### **Old Business:**

1. GIS mapping – Inactive for now. GIS stands for (Geographic Information System)
2. Fund Grant applications – Nothing new to report.
3. Calendar Updates-Janet will put together a report.

#### **Other Business:**

1. Discussion of survey bids for Chester Tpke/Kinnicum Pond.
2. Old Home Day- Is on August 23<sup>rd</sup> at Moore Park. We will have a table with info, etc. Leon has a bear carved to donate for a raffle. They are very popular. Leon and Judi will be putting out information for early raffle ticket sales.
3. Barry Camp update – Nothing right now.
4. Scheduled hikes/trail work – A scheduled walk to see the new parking lot and possible plans for trails could be in the future.
5. Tom suggested making plans to start work on the D. Lewis Town Forest trails. Ron added that at the end of the trail there needs to be a sign so people will know that they are on private property after this point. Judi will have the sign made. To say, End of D. Lewis Town Forest - Private Property. Judi suggested having more trails mapped out to continue the trail. Janet is going to ask Tyler Frazier if he could help.

Dick made a motion to adjourn. Tom seconded. All in favor. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:24pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janet Lewis