



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

December 20th, 2016 Approved

Meeting called to order @ 7 pm by Chair Susan followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Chair Susan Wilderman, Vice-chair Judi Lindsey, Ellie Davidson, Dennis Lewis, Mark Laliberte, Betsy Kruse (late) and alt. Dick Snow who was seated as a voting member.

Guest Speaker – Aaron Wexler from Aspen Environmental Studies came in for a follow-up meeting with copies of his High St. sub-division (9 lots) plan. He explained the wetlands impact, which is a fairly large crossing (17600 sq. ft. which is 1100 sq. ft. larger than his original plan) due to the finish drainage report, traffic reports and less wildlife disturbance. He worked with Kim Tuttle from Fish & Game to minimize the wetland impact on species such as spotted turtles, bland turtles and northern black racer. He also addressed the concerns from his last presentation. Plans have been sent to DES and Aaron will keep members informed, no time frames have been set yet, cutting may start in early spring. Nothing with plastic reinforcements will be used for erosion purposes. Members confirmed impacts were done with minimal impact.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

Minutes – Mark motioned to accept the minutes as amended, Susan second, no further discussion, motion passed. Dennis and Judi abstained.

Wetland Permit Applications – Ellie had nothing new to report.

Land Use/Wetlands/Enforcement Issues/Planning Board – Judi reported on Planning Board issues. Severino gravel area in the back of the old Car World they are waiting for the impact report. Dennis had nothing new to report on Crowley road sub-division.

Correspondence – SELT newsletter was received. Bear-Paw invoice for \$100 was received and is due upon receipt. Susan asked Town Clerk's office to put correspondence in road agent mailbox, or e-mail her so she is aware.

Budget – Judi motioned to pay NHACC membership dues in the amount of \$333. Dennis second, no further discussion, motion passed unanimously.

Ellie motioned to pay \$100 to Bear-Paw for annual dues. Judi second, no further discussion, motion passed unanimously. Members agreed that if money was available, Dennis will purchase the gate (material). Members also discussed the newsletter estimates and funding. Dennis motioned to pay Donna (not to exceed \$150) for Nov. and Dec. meeting and minutes. Betsy second, no further discussion, motion passed. Betsy motioned to pay no more than \$300 for black and white copies of the newsletter. Judi second, no further discussion, motion passed. Susan motioned for remaining budget to be used for gate material. Judi second, no further discussion, motion passed. **Jan. meeting discussion of the budget.

Conservation Commission Website – Susan reported Tristan’s information is now on the website. Judi took a picture of Betsy and Ellie holding the 2017 calendar, Mark will put it on Facebook, Judi will put it on the website and the information where to purchase them (CCC members, Library and Town Clerk’s office).

Joint Projects – Susan and Diane Philbrick went to Portsmouth for the trail mapping workshop. Susan spoke regarding the Heritage Walk about town, she feels it will be easy to trail map the conservation easement pieces with a smart phone app. Emma from UNH will upload images and put them on the trail finder, for residents to access the locations easily. Judi also reported she has worked over the summer with Tour Builder on goggle and will show the members at the Jan. meeting her progress of her land.

OLD BUSINESS:

Land Trust reports – Winter issue received from SELT. Bear-Paw annual meeting in Jan. 28th at Coe Brown.

Lamprey River Water Quality Initiatives – Manchester Water Works still needs about 300-400K to protect the water. Protection is still in process which will help the watershed. Dick reported the 10th annual Lamprey River symposium is taking place on Jan. 9th (Mon) at UNH and encouraged members to go.

Forest Mgmt./Plans for Town Land/stewardship – Dennis had nothing new to report from Charlie Moreno.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Warrant Article – BOS accepted all forwarded warrant articles with non-monetary values associated to them. Mark reported the BOS will number the articles on Dec. 28th.

Newsletter – Betsy passed out copies of the newsletters for review. Members made some minor corrections and agreed to have 1600 printed for the Boy Scouts to put in the massive residential mailing for voting on March 14th at CYAA Fieldhouse.

2016 Calendar update – Pictures will be forwarded to:

info@candiaconservationcommission.org next year’s camp week will be 7/16 – 7/21/17 and be 4H on the Wild Side ages 10-16.

Review/Update Application/Barry Conservation Camp – Members discussed the information for application process to be included on the website. Application due date will be Jan. 26th. Judi will see if she can post on the outside white board. Mark will also put on Facebook.

1. Mark will start updating the BOS the 1st meeting of the month.
2. Mark relayed that some boards are interested in recording their minutes. Members at this time would like to keep the minute taking the same.
3. Mark also discussed membership issues. He would like to have more permanent member list and offer unlimited alternative members. Susan will reach out to Mimi Alberu to see if she would like to continue being a full member or move to an alternative.

Dennis will give the camp bill to the Trustees of the Trust Fund for payment of \$308.

Betsy motioned to adjourn at 8:35 p.m., Mark second, no further discussion, motion passed unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Donna Del Rosso