



Town of Candia
Conservation Commission
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April 16, 2024 Meeting Minutes – Approved

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

Present: Chair. Judi Lindsey, Leon Austin, Ryan Young, Ron Laverdure, Dick Snow, alt. sitting in for Carol, Janet Lewis, Admin. Assist.

Absent: Carol Howe, Tom DiMaggio

Guests: Bob Panit

Public comment: Bob Panit was invited to attend as Emergency Management Director regarding the access to public land and gate access for emergency vehicles. Bob said that regarding vehicles having access usually an ATV (all-terrain vehicle), would be used for emergency situations for rescue and police. Forest fire is a different kind of scenario. A forestry truck could have access if a gate was installed and there are some trails for a vehicle, even if its part way in, would be helpful. Also, a key box would be useful. This sort of thing could be an eagle project for the boy scouts-or some part of it, not necessarily all of this, might be a project.

Regular Business:

1. Minutes of previous meeting – Tabled for next meeting
2. Wetland Permit Applications - none
3. Land Use/Wetlands/Enforcement Issues – nothing new currently
4. Correspondence – Lakes Congress organization is having a keynote speaker from the Dept. of Environmental Services talk about topics concerning lakes. To be held on June 6th in Meredith. Access website for more info.
5. Budget Update/Approval of Outstanding Payments – Regarding the reimbursement to Janet for the voting signs and what line in the budget it should be taken from- Ryan made a motion to have it come from the Education fund line. Leon seconded. All in affirmative. Motion passed.

Flint Road town property-Paint for the orange paint markings and having the area surveyed is recommended at some point. The paint is only to refresh the ones that have markings. Ron will go ahead and buy the paint to do that much. The bird talk that is scheduled with Pam Hunt will be held in the town office meeting room. The CC is paying for her milage. The funds will come taken from the education fund.

6. Conservation Easements/Water Resources –The warrant articles that were recently passed are two areas to start working on with Bear Paw. On the Dennis Lewis Forest property and the other town properties that are being combined in the easement- we need to establish the boundaries. Tax maps are not the same as what present town maps show. The other two properties that are being combined into one easement also have a similar kind of problem. More information will be needed.

7. Forest Management -Flint Road- Ron has a design idea about the basic layout and what will be required. The design and layout are a good place to start and Ron can proceed with having Jeff give us a figure for doing this.

Old Business:

1. ARM GIS mapping – Dick had a question about the GIS having all the information they need from the CC? This can be investigated.
2. Fund Grant application – Ryan suggested coming up with a project at by the end of the year in case there were any funds available.
3. Calendar updates _ there are not that many left. We will bring them to the bird talk on May 16.

New Business:

1. Bird talk, Smyth Lib w/ AG Comm – Pam Hunt will be talking about birds. May 16th. To be held in the town office meeting room.
2. Letter to Mr. Trowbridge- Cassella -NHDES- Pristine waters are nearby that will be affected by the proposed landfill. Judy is going to write a letter addressing concerns.

Other Business:

Barry Conservation Camp update – There are plenty of funds in the scholarship fund to pay for the campers going to camp this summer.
Scheduled hikes/trail work – none planned at present

Motion to adjourn made by Dick. Leon seconded. All in affirmative. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Lewis