

# Town of Candia

# Conservation Commission 74 High Street Candia, New Hampshire 03034

Candia Conservation Commission Dec. 16th, 2014 Minutes (Approved)

#### **Attendees:**

Chair Betsy Kruse, Vice-chair Judi Lindsey, Ellie Davidson, Susan Wilderman, Dennis Lewis, Mimi Alberu, Dick Snow (alt.) Donna Del Rosso recording secretary.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Betsy Kruse followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Dick Snow was seated as a voting member.

# Guest: Catherine Sangillo

Catherine was present to discuss the CCC website. Dick is looking for someone to keep the website current. The CCC had different e-mails for Jim DiMaggio and think that may be the reason for not being updated on a regular basis. Catherine keeps the Towns website current & up to date using Jim as a back-up. Susan will contact Jim (with correct e-mail provided by Catherine) to see if he is still interested in doing the CCC website. Susan will let the CCC know his decision and we will go on from there. Compensation for the up keep of the website will remain at \$250/yr. Donna will continue to e-mail the agenda to Catherine. Catherine if she accepts the position will need to make significant changes to the website, to make sure it is compatible with the Town website. The CCC thanked Catherine for her input and attending the meeting.

#### **Public Comment Period:**

#### **Regular Business:**

#### 1. Minutes of previous meeting:

Suggestions were given to Donna to revise.

Judi Lindsey motioned to accept minutes as revised.

Second by Susan Wilderman.

No further discussion.

Motion passed unanimously.

No new information available at this time. Judi reported the BOS is concerned over the seemingly slow growth of Candia.

#### 2. Conservation Land/Easement(s)/Acquisition Status:

Dick reported that in Oct. the BOS declined to take the properties that the CCC was interested in to put in conservation easements. Betsy stated that Candia has voted down numerous times to put town properties into conservation easements.

Dick also passed out a folder which included Deerfield's CCC minutes, which had timber sale amounts on it. The CCC feels we may not have any town properties that might have timber available for sale. Dick also stated that there might be funding available for the Hoffman property. He is pursuing the funding and then will ask the CCC to pay for the transaction costs. Ken Hoffman received an offer of 18k from ARM, so Dick is looking at all possibilities for the project.

### 3. Wetland Permit Applications:

Ellie had nothing new to report.

#### 4. Land Use/Wetland/Enforcement Issues:

Dennis reported the only discussion at the Planning Board was a lot line adjustment on Dave Poole's back land which will prevent it form being developed later on because now it cots off access to North Rd.

The Farm Stand had some modifications: added a driveway, some lighting and revised the plans which, the Planning Board was fine with.

Dennis also reported that the four-wheeling on Flint Rd. has stopped.

# **5. Correspondence:**

Ellie received from SELT, a conservation easement report on ground monitoring filter done by Jim Lindsey on the Rand property.

Ellie also received a letter from Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission - nothing new to report in the letter.

The CCC also received a membership renewal from Bear-Paw.

#### 6. Budget Update/Approval of outstanding payments/invoices:

Donna submitted an invoice for the month of September in the amount of \$127.53 Judi motioned to pay the amount of \$127.53 to Donna.

Second by Ellie.

No other discussion.

Passed unanimously.

Dick passed out a copy of the budget to date, balance is approximately \$600. The Newsletter and recording secretary are the only expected expenditures for December. Mimi will check with Brian for printing services and obtain a quote.

#### **Old Business:**

## 1. Land Trust Report:

Betsy stated Bear-Paw is planning its annual meeting on Sat., Jan. 24th, 2015 at the Hooksett Library. Ben Killen will be there, and a walk on one of the properties that has been conserved will take place.

# 2. Lamprey River Water Quality Initiatives:

Dick passed a page from folder regarding Lamprey River Quality with information on Septic Systems. The CCC decided to pass this information on to Bldg. Inspector Dave Murray.

# 3. Forest Management:

Dennis reported no updates from Charlie Moreno due to family issues.

Betsy reported a new beaver dam in the Deerfield Rd. forest. This may need to be re-routed, maybe an Eagle project.

Donna asked the CCC if Lisa Cote could attend the January meeting. She is looking for a project for her cub scouts. The CCC accepted, and I will contact her with date and time.

Dick is looking for suggestions or programs to keep the fallen trees and debris off the path of the trails. Dennis also suggested to also marking the trails. These ideas might be a good project for the CCC to take on. Betsy suggested this spring for Hemlock Dr. and Deerfield Rd. forest and have a work day. Dick also suggested installing gates. Dennis would like to put in two granite posts with a wooden gate.

#### **Other Business**

### 1. Fall walk to Kinnicum:

Dennis spoke with Dick Weeks regarding the walk on perhaps the 11th or 18th of Jan. Dick did not want to commit due to the weather.

Susan will gather information for an adventure walk, probably a Saturday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. in January. The walk will start at Flint Rd. and go to Kinnicum Pond.

# 2. Barry Conservation Camp:

Dick had information sheets in the folders which included the registration forms would be available mid Jan. 2015. The next CCC meeting we will discuss how to select an interested student that will attend the camp. The application should include the weeks and programs being offered. Susan suggested putting the application on the website with a deadline of January 15th, with a selection of 1st and 2nd choice of programs weeks. Applicant needs to be a Candia youth group resident. Selection process will include a meeting with the CCC, why they are interested in going. Feb. meeting will be final process to decide based on the applications received.

Dennis reported the calendars are at the printers and will be available Friday, Dec. 22nd. Dennis will distribute the calendars to CCC members, Town Hall and the Library. Cost of the calendars are \$5, 50 calendars were ordered with an option to order more if necessary. The CCC decided to sell the calendars at a cost of \$10 each. Judi will submit an article to the paper, she will also include any pertinent information. Dennis will be the contact person if we need to order more.

#### 3. Newsletter:

Betsy will make some minor changes/revisions regarding the scholarship fund information, the New Boston bridge update, the sign posting and A Note from the Chair. Betsy will send the update to Mimi. Mimi will use bullet points instead of numbers. Mimi will ask Brian for a quote based on the same number printed last year.

# 4. Signs:

Susan suggested having residents take account of signs next spring. Susan's students may take on the project of the best locations for the signs to be placed.

No other business addressed

Motion made by Susan to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Second by Mimi.

No further discussion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes submitted by recording secretary, Donna Del Rosso