

Town of Candia

Conservation Commission 74 High Street Candia, New Hampshire 03034

Candia Conservation Commission May 19th, 2015 Minutes (unapproved)

Attendees:

Chair Betsy Kruse, Ellie Davidson, Susan Wilderman, Dennis Lewis, Mimi Alberu, Dick Snow (alt.) Donna Del Rosso recording secretary. Guest: Ted Michalek

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Betsy Kruse followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment Period

Regular Business:

1. Minutes of previous meeting:

Suggestions were given to Donna to revise.

Susan motioned to accept minutes as revised.

Seconded by Ellie.

No further discussion.

Motion passed, Judi abstained.

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

Nothing new to report at this time.

3. Wetland Permit Applications:

Ellie reported no new applications have been received at this time.

4. Land Use/Wetland/Enforcement Issues:

Judi reported Planning Board is reviewing the Galanis property which is now owned by the owners of the farm stand. Amy/Scott Komasarik is looking to put in a 12 seat café type establishment.

Master plan meeting held on Friday (May 15th) the School Board invited various groups: Planning, BOS, ZBA etc al. to discuss the decrease in enrollment at Moore School. Most towns are in the same situation. The meeting was to discuss the possibilities of future growth. The Planning Board would like to get some ideas/projects ready for this September. Judi will check with Nicole LaFlemme to see if the CCC can also be included in future discussions.

5. Correspondence:

Ellie received information regarding well water within a town, she said it was very interesting and offered the pamphlet to other members to read.

Betsy ran into Bill Sturgis from the Southern N.H. Planning Commission who dropped off the current Newsletter, Ellie did not have it. Betsy thought maybe Sharon (Land Use) received them. Donna will contact her to get a copy. (Donna made a copy and left it in Betsy's home mailbox).

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

Donna submitted an invoice for the month of April in the amount of \$90.16

Judi motioned to pay the amount of \$90.16 to Donna.

Seconded by Mimi.

No other discussion.

Passed unanimously.

The BOS reached a final budget and departments should have received the final operating budget. CCC did not receive theirs. Donna will get a copy of the current budget. (Donna made a copy and left it in Betsy's home mailbox).

7. Conservation Commission Website:

Susan reported all updates discussed at the last meeting have been taken care of. Susan is waiting for Dan to send her digital copies of the new maps.

Dennis stopped at John Ekroths home but he was not available, he will try to contact him this month to see if he is willing to update the maps on the website.

Betsy discussed the possibility of a sample conservation easement on the website; Dennis suggested using the Deerfield Rd one. We may need to obtain a digital copy and forward to Catherine.

Old Business:

1. Land Trust Report:

Betsy reported Bear-Paw had a bird walk in May with a great turnout; June will host a major donor event, held in Deerfield, Friday, June 20th. Peter DeSantis is doing a mountain bike ride thru the Clay Pond area in June. Information is in the Bear-Paw newsletter.

2. Lamprey River Water Quality Initiatives:

Dick was unavailable.

3. Forest Management:

Dennis spoke to Charlie Moreno, we would not see the final paperwork for Hemlock till at least Sept.

4. New Boston Rd. Conservation Area Bridge:

Dennis and Sean James went down at different times. Sean is researching different ideas to see if the CC needs to apply for a wetlands application. Discussion regarding putting in just a foot bridge, would that be the best plan with minimal cost at this time? Dennis and Susan will take care of the broken planks before her class goes down there for a project. Handicapped accessibility is not an option at this time. Dennis would like to keep a very simple footbridge with some heavy duty cables to keep the bridge from floating away. The CCC would like to discuss plans/details for the new footbridge at the July 21st meeting.

Susan is hosting an aquatic watershed project on Saturday, June 6th at the New Boston Rd. from 9-10 a.m., she welcomes any visitors.

Other Business

1. Barry Conservation Camp:

Patrick Dupre was unavailable to attend; he was on a school trip to DC. Mimi will print a certificate. Dennis will check with the Levesque family to see if they are available for the June meeting to present Patrick with the scholarship in Deb's memory.

2. Wildlife Critter Crossing Signs:

Joe Duarte-Critchett Rd, Lisa Clark-Podnuk Rd, Betsy-Recycle Ctr (New Boston Rd), Rick Lazott-Island Pond Rd, Peg Mun-Healy Rd, Judi Lindsey-Merrill Rd, Judi Lindsey-?, Susan Wilderman-South Rd, Susan Wilderman (2nd) Betsy Kruse 2nd wetland area-Island Pond Rd.

3. 2016 Calendar/Photo Contest:

Photos will be sent to Donna, who will then make a cd for the CCC to determine which photos will be used in the upcoming calendar. Discussion to put an article in the Candia-Auburn post sometime in June, Judi will forward to news correspondence.

4. Election of officers:

Betsy thanked everyone for stepping up to assist with projects; she would like to offer the Chair position to anyone that would like to step-up. Discussion to having 2 co-chairs might be a possibility. The CCC commission members will think about this for the next couple of months and hold elections in July.

The CCC would like to invite a post: seeking alternates for the commission, in the website, Candia-Auburn post and other related news updates. Judi will contact all news correspondence personnel for the next meeting. (Patrick's scholarship – seeking alternates – calendar photo contest).

5. Membership renewal confirmations:

Ellie, Mimi and Dick have been approved for renewal and will need to get with Christine to be sworn in. Ellie will make a new updated membership list for next month.

6. Cub Scouts project:

Susan will contact Lisa Cote to discuss their schedule for the upcoming projects.

No other business addressed

Motion made by Ellie to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Seconded by Dennis.

No further discussion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes submitted by recording secretary, Donna Del Rosso