



Town of Candia
Conservation Commission
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October 15, 2024 Meeting Minutes- Approved

Chair Judi called the meeting to order at 7:01pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Chair Judi Lindsey, Tom DiMaggio, Carol Howe, Ryan Young, Ron Laverdure, Dick is seated for Leon, Admin. Assist. Janet Lewis

Absent: Leon Austin, VC

Guests: Remy Alff & his mom

Public Comment Period: Remy told us about his experience at Barry Conservation Camp last summer. This was his third time going for a different kind of session each time. Remy said it was a great time. He learned about shooting safely, the different kinds of shooting, shooting techniques, and target practice safety.

Regular Business:

1. Minutes of previous meeting – Tom made a motion to accept the minutes. Ron seconded. Carol abstained. All in agreement. Motion passed.
2. Wetland Permit Applications -Lamprey River Advisory Council issued a FYI letter regarding foliar spraying of invasives near waterways in surrounding towns at 16 sites of river crossings. The letter was in objection to the pesticides being used near the waterways used for drinking water.
3. Land Use/Wetlands/Enforcement Issues -The planning board is holding an informational meeting regarding the development proposal that is only accessible from Crowley Rd., and will be in the Town of Chester.
4. Correspondence – NHCC conference is Sat. Nov 2 at Pembroke Academy.
5. Budget Update/ Increase & Approvals – An invoice from NHCC for \$250.00 for 2025 membership. Dick made a motion to pay the invoice for membership. Janet seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.
6. Conservation Easements/Water Resources- Dick is still working diligently with Bear-Paw to have them hold the conservation easement. Nothing will be done until next year.

The proposal from VFA (Franklin-Verra Associates) shows the scope and estimated fees to conduct a boundary survey and to prepare a boundary plan for the property on Map 411 Lots 43 & 44. (Spencer property) Dick made a motion for the expenditure of \$11,000, up to \$13,000 for the survey and plan, with the condition that Amy pays it back if the easement is not executed. Discussion followed. Tom made an amended motion to spend the money from the Conservation Fund with the amount not to exceed \$15,000. Carol seconded. All in favor. Motion passed. The survey needs to be done for a conservation easement to move forward. Tom made a motion to allow FVA to do a survey on Amy Spencer's property for access to the Kinnicum Pond lot, subject to approval of the Selectmen. Ron seconded. All in agreement. Motion passed. Dick will speak with the Selectmen.

Discussion about a warrant article for the Harris property on Crowley Road. Dick is going to submit the warrant article to the Selectmen for approval. This would be for the Conservation Commission to manage and conserve the land with an easement.

7. Forest Management-Derek Maurice and the scout troop are meeting at the Deerfield Town Forest on Sat. the 19th @ 9:00 am to do trail work. Ron is going to take pictures to share with others on what they are doing.

Old Business:

1. GIS mapping – Bryan Ruoff is no longer working at Stantec.
2. Fund Grant applications – Nothing new to report.

New Business:

1. Calendar Updates- Selection of photos for the 2025 CCC calendar. Alpha-Graphics was contacted by Dick to get an estimate. Judi will get an estimate from Keystone Press.

Other Business:

1. Barry Camp update- great feedback from Remy Alff about his experience
2. Scheduled Hikes/trail work- see #7 above

Tom made a motion to adjourn. Carol seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Lewis