

Pembroke Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes

November 9, 2015

In attendance: Ammy Heiser (Chair), Carol Bertsimas (Vice), Ayn Whytemare (Secretary), Brian Mrazik (Monitoring), Steve Fowler, David Baril. Absent: Mike Crockwell (BOS), Kevin Krebs (Planning Board). Sewer Commission: Paulette Malo

1. Call to order 7:05 pm

2. Conservation Lands

- a. **White Sands** Need to put in a new pump station, will result in above ground pumps on same footprint. We want to make sure river protected. Paulette going to as many committees as possible to inform them before Town Meeting.

ACTION ITEM: Brian and Ammy will install fallen sign at Beach area

- b. **Beacon Hill** Ammy and Brian put up the 2 new signs, one visible from the road and one directly across Bragfield sign on Third RR. Put second Ames Brook sign up on Seventh RR, trail looked appropriately used.
- c. **Other** Brain and Ammy monitored Whittemore by the interior trails. One new bridge by snowmobilers but another one needs to be up as vehicles are using swamp to bypass.
- d. **Monitoring Update** Need to get things done!

3. Review and Approve Minutes – August 10th and October 12th

Carol moved to accept August minutes, Brian seconded. All in favor. Ammy moved to accept October minutes with minor changes. Carol seconded. All in favor with Steve Fowler abstaining.

4. Planning Board Applications

110 unit development across from PA still in the works. Issues we would like to see addressed: drainage, having planned housing and roads work with the landscape rather than cookie-cutter planning, possible to have trees planted as part of the development? Work with character of town and area rather than create an eyesore.

5. DES Letters and Applications

- a. **Northern Pass** Ammy has 2000 pages of wetland permits to review on a flash drive, was received three days after October meeting, therefore the 14 day window to review has closed. Need to call DES and Nick Coates and ask what to do next. November 2nd town meeting at PA had 80 people in attendance, only one spoke in support of project. Many requested lines to be buried or to continue official opposition.

ACTION ITEM: Ammy will contact Nick Coates and DES. Also Rick VandePol for further info.

6. Potential Acquisitions:

- a. **Sixth RR Parcel** Carol signed a Purchase and Sale agreement on 10/22/15 and we have not heard anything back. BOS has tabled it until they find out what they can get from another piece and set the price from that.

7. Other Business

- a. **NHACC Annual Meeting Report** Ammy, Brian and Ayn attended the Annual meeting at PA this year. Went to workshops for Grant Writing, Site Evaluation Committee, Road issues (new publication “A Hard Road to Travel” from the NH municipal association), Legal Updates – State looking to have a statewide conservation master plan, wetland permit criteria may be changing. Invasive Plant publication coming to each town.
- 8. **Mail and Correspondences** Nothing of importance.
- 9. **Adjournment** 9:36pm

NEXT MEETING DECEMBER 14TH