

Pembroke Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes

December 12, 2016

In attendance: Ammy Heiser (chair), Carol Bertsimas (Vice), Ayn Whytemare (Secretary), Brian Mrazik (Monitoring), Jenny Manzelli, Brent Edmunds (Planning Board Rep). Absent Mike Crockwell (BOS), David Baril (is stepping down, but can keep up with the Facebook page). Public (Trail Dawgs) Ed Kinney, Mike Poulin.

1. Call to Order @7:08pm

2. **Range Road (Class 6) Closure: Trail Dawgs** Big Trucks coming through in early winter and keeping from trail and water holes from freezing over. Would like to extend the driving ban on December 15 (worried that any earlier would interfere with hunters). Replacing the signs a concern. Only authority to close comes from the desire to protect roads. ExploringNH.com may be a good contact for Trail Dawgs. Ammy moved to ask BOS to extend truck ban to December 15. Carol seconded, all in favor.

3. Conservation Lands

- a. **Whittemore** Ammy needs to get outside.
- b. **White Sands** David will drop off paperwork, he didn't get to it before he had to step down.
- c. **Bragfield** Brian did it, but needs to send it to LCHIP (Steven Walker)

ACTION ITEM: Ammy will send Brian Steve Walker's e-mail

- d. **Beck** Two violations were found on Beck and need to be addressed with letters.

ACTION ITEM: Ammy will contact Chris Kane about his walk on Schuett to see if he saw anything out of order (can use this as a monitoring walk).

ACTION ITEM: Brian will write letters to homeowner letting them know that we have seen their fence and it appears to be that it is on our property.

4. **Review and Approve Minutes~November 14th** Ammy moved to accept, Brian seconded, all in favor with Jenny abstaining.

5. Planning Board Applications

- a. Ammy had conversation with Dana Carlucci about need for Recreation fields, Reminded him of previous issues regarding difference between conservation vs. recreation land. Considered Beck last time but the cost and traffic issues were prohibitive. Areas along river are prime habitat and not good location for ball fields.
- b. **Pembroke Meadows:** Patrick Colburn e-mailed Ammy requesting written communication of our approval to develop areas that we thought might be wetlands. After site walk in April with him he showed us that the error was in the old map and that the areas were indeed not currently wetlands. Ammy will e-mail the April 2016 minutes to Patrick and Stephanie Verdile.
- c. **McCormick** going in front of Zoning Board at December 20th, 7pm at Hill School for Public Hearing. Donna Drive has a Facebook page that has already notified interested abutters. He wants the highest concentration of residential units, 76 4-plex units. That is the plan that he offered conservation land with. We need to be there to hold onto the possibility of conservation land for the town. Brent said that he approached the PB to see which plan works best for them, the consensus was the 4-plex plan because there would be more open space included.

ACTION ITEM: Jenny will try to educate the Donna Drive folks through the Facebook page on the options.

6. DES Letters and Applications None

- 7. Potential Acquisitions** Jim Caughlin called Ammy, they still want to sell it to us. He still wants more than we have in our account. They are very eager and are willing to pay for the appraisal. Possibility that they could donate property as part of estate planning? Partner with Recreation to build some Ball Fields?

ACTION ITEM: Ayn will contact 5 Rivers Conservation Trust about forming a pathway for conservation land gifts in people's estate plans. Ammy will check in with Recreation to see if they want to partner with us on this.

- 8. Budget Review** Ammy moved to pay up all dues and subscriptions including NHACC for \$363, Five Rivers \$200. Carol seconded. All in favor.
- 9. Other Business** Ammy spoke to David Jodoin about getting the NRI stuff on the webpage, he has contacted webdesigner. We can spend some of our budget to getting it on the website if needed. Also requested that we officially adopt the section of the NRI that was an update to the Town's Master Plan (new one to be worked on in 2017).

ACTION ITEM: Ammy will see what we need to do to get it adopted.

- 10. Mail and Correspondences** Coop extension workshop on Forest Laws.

- 11. Adjournment 9:06**

NEXT MEETING ON JANUARY 9TH