

Note: These minutes are to be considered draft minutes until approved by the Conservation Commission.

Members present: Ken Jacques, Bruce Allen, Daphne Klein, Bob Ruel, George McCusker Also present: Leigh Calloway (Selectman representative).

Bruce Allen opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Leigh shared an article from the journal *New Hampshire Town and City* about the MS4 permit (the 2014 Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System permit) and what a town's responsibility would be regarding analyzing water being discharged from any pipe. Leigh wondered what CC members knew about the MS4 permit and what the implications might be for Springfield. None of the CC members present had heard anything about the MS4 permit. Since the article did not provide a lot of specifics, it was agreed to postpone further discussion until we could gather more information from DES or other sources.

The minutes of 11/3/16 were approved as written.

Kinsley Lot: Bruce will email CC members with a date for a walk through of the Kinsley lot for any who are interested. It was suggested that during this walk through, it would be helpful if we could pinpoint any locations where boundary blazes are missing or unclear.

Outreach:

CC members who attended the eagle presentation by Chris Martin of NH Audubon on 11/5 reported that it was very informative and was well attended.

The Eastman Charitable Foundation has invited the Conservation Commissions of Grantham, Enfield, and Springfield to a joint meeting to be held some time in early February. Bruce, Bob, and George expressed interest in attending if the date selected works with their schedules. Bruce will email the ECF with dates that would work best for the three of them.

CC reappointments: Bob is the only CC member whose term expires at the end of this year. He was strongly encouraged by those present to continue on as a member of the CC.

Goals for 2017: At the next CC meeting in January, a list of goals for the year will be drawn up.

Action Items:

Bruce will email CC members re: a walk through of the Kinsley lot.

Bruce will email the ECF with suggested dates for the joint meeting in February.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Daphne Klein (in the absence of Marla Binzel)