

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

Members present: Ken Jacques, Bruce Allen, Marilyn Priest, Marla Binzel, Daphne Klein, Cynthia Bruss (alternate). Also present: George McCusker (Selectman representative) and Jeremy Johnston.

Bruce Allen opened the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

Minutes: The minutes of 9/3/15 were approved as written.

Wetlands/Shoreland Protection: Bruce reported that he sent literature about the Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act and a letter, that included DES contact information, to the owner of 2489 Main Street, with a recommendation that he call DES to see if a permit was required for the project that is underway at his house. Bruce has had no reply to his letter. Ken made a motion, seconded by Marla, that Bruce will check with DES to see if a shoreland permit application has been filed. If DES has not received an application, then Bruce will write a second letter to the property owner, with a copy to DES. The motion passed with 5 in favor and 1 abstention.

Kinsley Lot: Bruce will check with Brooks Weathers to see when he can finish marking the trees for the upcoming timber cut.

Outreach:

- Marilyn reported that the subcommittee on student community service projects met and developed a list of possible projects. She sent that information to KRHS, and the CC has already heard from a KRHS student who would like to help build a trail on a town lot for a senior project. Since the Kinsley lot is going to be logged soon, the consensus was that it made the most sense to build a walking trail on the Brook lot.
- Marla has emailed Laura Alexander at Colby-Sawyer College about possible collaborations and is waiting for a reply.
- Ken introduced Jeremy Johnston, a junior at CSC studying environmental science, to those CC members who hadn't met him yet. (Jeremy had come in July to attend the CC meeting, but since there wasn't a quorum, no meeting was held.) Jeremy is interested in helping the CC compile more information on some of the town lots. He will be taking a GIS mapping class in the spring, and is also willing to take photographs and provide computer support.
- Ken made a motion, seconded by Bruce, that the CC recommend to the Select Board that Jeremy be appointed to the CC as an alternate. The motion passed unanimously.
- Bruce will talk to Tamara to ask if Bob Ruel can be approved to add information for the CC's page on the town's website.

Other Business: George provided updates on issues that have come before the various boards in town. Ken reported that the Planning Board is still waiting for Mike McCrory to provide some information that is needed for the Springfield Wetlands Project. Ken will ask Tamara to post the date of the next meeting on the town website.

Action Items:

- **Bruce will contact DES by phone re: 2489 Main Street, and if no action has been taken, will send letters to the property owner and DES.**

- **Bruce will contact Brooks Weathers re: marking trees on Kinsley lot.**
- **Bruce will email Don Hill to recommend that Jeremy be appointed as a CC alternate.**
- **Bruce will talk to Tamara to have Bob approved to send information for the CC's page on the town website.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Daphne Klein
Secretary