

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

Members Present: Bruce Allen, Marla Binzel, Ken Jacques, Jeremy Johnson, Daphne Klein, Bob Ruel, Cynthia Bruss (alternate), and Leigh Callaway (Selectman's Representative).

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

Minutes: The minutes of 9/1/16 were approved as written.

Town Lots:

The commissioners agreed there is still interest in scheduling a walk to review the Kinsely lot.

The Commission voted to reimburse Selectman Callaway for signs and other supplies he purchased for the Commission for the McDonald Knapp, Knowlton and Fogg lots. Commissioners will meet at the Town Office at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday the 16th to go and put up the signs.

There was a discussion about pros and cons of pursuing action to merge the McDonald Knapp, Knowlton and Fogg lots, as they represent a contiguous stretch of town conserved land. Ken Jacques will check with the Planning Commission to determine what requirements would need to be met before such an action could be formally initiated.

Outreach:

The Commission's sponsored presentation by Chris Martin will be held November 5th at 7:00 p.m. at the Meeting Hall. Marla Binzel and Daphne Klein will arrange for refreshments, and Cynthia Bruss will place an ad in the Kearsarge Shopper and talk to Pixie about adding it to the town website and her article in the Intertown.

A public hike to Fowler Town is scheduled for Oct. 8th from 1-3 p.m. and has been advertised.

Cynthia recommended that the Commission put Old Home Day on the agenda for next month so advance planning can begin for some new displays and activities for next year.

Communication and Misc.:

The annual meeting of the NH Association of Conservation Commissions will be held Nov. 12 at Pembroke Academy. Additional details can be found at: nhacc.org.

Action Items:

- Bruce will email Commission members about a visit to the Kinsley lot and initiate the process to get a formal quote for having it surveyed. (Carried over from last month)
- Available Commissioners will meet Sunday Oct. 16th at 9:00 a.m. to place signage on the town lots.
- Ken Jacques will inquire about procedures to merge town lots.
- Cynthia will arrange publicity and Marla and Daphne will organize refreshments for the eagle presentation.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Submitted by Marla Binzel