

APPROVED 01/25/11
Hopkinton Conservation Commission
Minutes of 12/14/2010
Meeting held at 7:30 PM @ Harold Martin School
Hopkinton, NH

Present were: Derek Owen, Lee Wilder, Erick Leadbeater, Ron Klemarczyk and Jed Merrow.

Robert Knight of the Five Rivers Conservation Trust - Land Protection Committee and Board of Trustees, was also present.

1. Minutes of 11/16/10 were approved as written.
2. Discussion re filling vacancy left by Todd Aubertin's retirement. Motion made and seconded to nominate Robert Knight to the Selectmen for member of the HCC. All in favor.
3. Lori Sommer is to be asked to be an alternate.
4. Jed brought sample of "Invasive Species" ID booklet. Discussion followed re best time of year and methods to eradicate. Jed will talk with Doug Cygan, State Invasive Species expert. Jed will check out prices/availability of a good ID booklet. Erick will check herbicide application regulations.
5. DES routine roadway and railway maintenance notification dated November 16, 2010. Driveway drainage culvert, near Hardy Spring Brook, Pine Street, needs to be set lower to drain properly. Project under Mark Hemmerlin's direction. HCC has no objection.
6. Budget shows no activity other than normal interest accumulation. Looks OK.
7. Lee monitored conservation easements for:
 - A. LCHIP Easements on Brockway and Johnson (Hawthorn) Lots.
 - B. SPNHF Easements on Janeway and Rose lots. (Note Chuck and Joyce Rose recently purchased merry Chase Farm, 100 Chase farm Road. Joyce knew of easement.)
8. Ron reports:
 - a. He still needs to talk to Brad Watson re haying the field off NH Rte. 103 entrance to Ransmeier lot.
 - b. Ron painted blazes on two trails at Ransmeier lot. Folks were getting lost...

9. Robert Knight monitored the Ransmeier Lot for Five Rivers. He also discussed trash on Rollins Lot. Now appears that the Town may remove the demolition debris discussed at previous meetings?
10. Jed reports from Bohanan Trails Committee (part of the Open Space Committee). He talked with Dock Doctors re floating dock and stairs to be accessed from Bohanan lot parking at entrance SW end of Tyler Bridge. The dock system would have to be removed in the fall. The Town or a volunteer with a tractor could do this. Also discussed roads vs. trails on the Bohanan Parcel. Website map and lot information is on hold until details on Bohanan trails is resolved.

Meeting adjourned at 0838. Next HCC meeting is January 18, 2011 at 1930PM EST at HMS. Ron is host. (Meeting was rescheduled to 01/25/11)

Respectfully submitted,
Lee Wilder
HCC Secretary