

Hopkinton Conservation Commission
December 15, 2015 Meeting
Held at Hopkinton Town Hall - 7:00PM

12/15/15 Minutes – Accepted 1/19/16

Present: Lee Wilder, Ron Klemarczyk, Rob Knight, Doug Giles, and Alternate James Newsom
Meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Chairperson Lee Wilder.

OLD BUSINESS

1. HCC minutes of 11/17/15: Accepted as presented.
2. Treasurer's report through November 2015: Accepted as presented. HCC expects to receive \$4,025 in December for the Conservation account as change of use tax.
3. Approved payments: NH Association of Conservation Commissions 2016 dues \$333; All Signs \$88; Invasive Control \$90.
4. Trail committee report: postponed until January meeting.
5. Monitoring Janeway and Murphy-Rose easements: done 12/15/15 by Lee Wilder and Rob Knight. Moss easement needs to be monitored. Ron Klemarczyk has the map of the easement and will make copies and record the map at the Registry. Rob will draft a letter to the current owners to arrange a time for monitoring.
6. Kimball Lake: Ron Klemarczyk will investigate installing a gate to block vehicle access from the cabins area onto the road leading to the forest.
7. HCC Conservation Camper coordinator: James Newsom will coordinate in 2016.
8. Rollins Lot:
 - Ron Klemarczyk contacted surveyor Tim Bernier and he has set the missing lot corner marker and flagged the line.
 - Ron has not been able to arrange mowing as yet.
 - Rob Knight will contact the neighbor who has a trailer stored on the lot and wooden shingles dumped on lot.
9. HCC 2015 Summary for Town Report: Cleve Kapala has drafted the report. It needs to be condensed to one page and submitted by 1/08/16.
10. Hopkinton Master Plan – Chapter IX Review: Reviewed all proposed changes made to date, and accepted them. Ron Klemarczyk verbally reviewed the changes he gave to Karen Robertson. Rob Knight will get Ron's changes from Karen and the Open Space Committee sections and add them to the draft for review at the January meeting. James Newsom will update the Farm and Forest map and review the Drinking Water map to decide if it should be updated.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Hillary Chapman of Audubon had fourth graders at Brockway on 11/24/15 for Adopt-A-Tree activity.
2. The annual Brockway Preserve review meeting between NH Audubon and HCC is scheduled for the HCC January meeting. Lee Wilder will contact NH Audubon about sending a representative.
3. Reviewed mail and notices received by the HCC.
4. Trails and hunters: Lee Wilder will respond to a complaint by a hiker who met a hunter on the Bohanan trail and felt hikers should be warned about hunting near trails. Trail

Committee will investigate adding something to the website about hunting. Ron Klemarczyk will see if "Multipurpose Property" signs from Fish and Game would be appropriate.

5. Potential conservation Property: HCC authorized Ron Klemarczyk to approach the owners of an attractive parcel near the Contoocook River which might be available for purchase.
6. Lewis Parking Lot: Doug Giles received an offer from a NH Audubon volunteer, Norm Minor, to clear up the Lewis parking lot. Agreed this help would be welcome.
7. Warner River: Doug Giles reported that he has gotten the needed photos of the Warner River. Doug observed that there is a large area of wetlands near the Meadows.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Minutes submitted by Rob Knight, Secretary.

Next HCC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday January 19 at 7 PM at Town Hall.

Doug is the host.