

Hartland Conservation Commission

Minutes: 13-Dec-2017

Next Meeting: 10-January-2018

Attending: Rob Anderegg, John Dumas, Dean Greenberg, Knox Johnson, and Zach Ralph

Topics Discussed:

Rob asked for and received approval of our minutes from 8-November.

The 17-Acre Wood sub-group has not heard from the school board. They had a positive meeting and seemed supportive of the Timber and Stone estimate for a trail survey. The school continues to utilize the area frequently. Rob will contact Nicki to check on any recent activity.

We went over our suggested submission to the Town Report. We thought "Summarsell Gateway Preserve" is a suitable name for the property by the Park and Ride. Knox will seek Randy's feelings on this name. John suggested a brief introductory paragraph followed by bullet points of our activities. Rob will review this and send a draft to us for suggestions. The Town wants this submission by December 15. A list of members and their term expiration dates will be included. The Selectboard appoints members for a 3 year term but our bylaws allow 4 year terms.

We need to continue working on the Guide to Town Parks and Natural Areas. Rob would like to have something to present at our April Community Breakfast. Zach suggested each member compile information on one or two areas. Details could include an introduction, description, history, amenities, access and a link to a website for further details. The Densmore Hill WMA site offers a good pattern. Which areas to include must be decided but VAST will not be among them. A Microsoft Access program allows sorting of information from a spreadsheet into a concise narrative. Either 1/2 or 1/3 folded brochure was suggested. A map of Hartland on the cover would have sites numbered, inside would be details of each numbers sites and on the back a summary of all sites. Knox will look into how to get a map on the cover.

Any communication we have with stream abutters must agree with all State and Federal regulations. Marie Caduto will be at our February meeting and could offer up to date insight relating to such rules. Rob will research wetland rules.

Knox has a new banner and will keep it for the time being. He has yet to submit the bill to the Town.

Rob plans to concentrate on goals for 2018 at our January meeting.

Submitted by Dean Greenberg