

TOWN OF HOLDERNESS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Tuesday, 15 January 2019

3:30 P.M.

Agenda

ROLL CALL:

Larry Spencer, Chairman
Jacquelyn Jewell

Anne Packard
Ben Amsden

Jenny Evans
Shelagh Connelly, Ex-Officio

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 11 December 2018

MAIL CHECK:

OLD ITEMS:

1. Monitoring reports –What ones are still left
2. Status of the RFPs for Howe Forest and the Pilote Forest
 - a. FB Environmental was contacted to send contracts for the proposals with start date of 1 January 2019.
 - b. Town Counsel indicated that the funds from the Forest Management Fund need a town warrant
 - c. Michael will work on a warrant article for the March Town Meeting.
 - d. Funds for the Pilote Forest are directly usable and we are working on getting a signed contract for that project. Hopefully, researcher from FB Environmental will attend our February meeting to explain their work time line.
3. Responses of the Planning Board to our suggestions for the Natural Resources chapter?
 - a. I've sent copies of our comments and suggestions to the subcommittee. They will be examining those at a subsequent meeting. I have not heard back from them as of now.
4. Michael submitted our budget to the Budget Committee (same figures as for this past year)
5. We received bill for the trail work on the Pilote Forest property. Surplus can be paid from our existing budget.

NEW ITEMS:

1. Jenny has contacted the Squam Lakes Association about doing trail maintenance on the two properties (Howe Town Forest and Pilote Forest). They will be examining the trail system to determine whether they can cut up the trees blocking the trail at the present time.
2. New proposed wetlands regulations. Our comments are due on the 18th of January. Meeting is being held with conservation commissions on the 10th of January. I will send you before our meeting the outcomes of that meeting, so that we can make some comment to the group enacting the regulations.
3. Spring meeting times and jobs that need to be done in the spring and summer (trail maintenance, mowing of the field, etc.)
4. I have contacted the Pilote family telling them of trail improvements, etc., but still have not heard back from them.
5. I am in correspondence with the Howe family about the sign on the Howe Town Forest. Will re do that sign towards the end of the summer of 2019 based on their comments.
6. We have received the membership bill from the NH Association of Natural Resource Scientists for 2019. We need to okay payment of that bill.

Up Coming Meetings

1. NH Association of Natural Resource Scientists—25 January 2019, Grapone Conference Center, Concord.
2. April 06, 2019—Saving Special Places, Prospect Mountain High School, Alton

ADJOURNMENT: