Meeting: Antrim Conservation Commission, April 29, 2015 at 530 pm at the Town Hall.

Attendees: Peter Beblowski'16', Keith Wolsiefer'17', Ron Cheetham '17', Rod Zwirner '16' and Linda Bryer'<u>15</u>', Frank Gorga '18'

Absent:

- 1. Notes written for March meeting accepted as amended.
- 2. Campbell Pond Phase II Natural Resource Inventory (NRI) still partially complete. We are awaiting additional word from Jeff Littleton. Campbell Pond hike and Japanese Barberry removal needs to continue. 8 plants were bagged and placed on a boulder for spring removal.
- **3.** Clean up day to be coordinated by Linda Bryer with the Grapevine Walk-a-thon. Scheduled for May 9
- 4. Our next hike to Campbell Pond to grab the Japanese Barberry on May 3 at 1pm.
- 5. Rod to arrange for Eric Tenney to mow the Hurlin Property in spring 2015.
- 6. Need to get Invasive species poster up at Town Hall & may be some handouts for wall slots.
- 7. <u>Emerald Ash Borer</u> discussed. Updates New sites found. Hillsborough County has been placed in Federal quarantine. More info may be found at <u>www.NHBUGS.org</u> Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) is a non-native insect, EAB lacks predators to keep it in check. Infested trees die within 3 to 5 years. EAB only attacks ash trees, and is responsible for the death of millions of ash trees in the midwest. Help protect New Hampshire's ash trees. A <u>quarantine of all hardwood firewood</u>, <u>ash wood-products and all ash nursery stock is in effect for Hillsborough & Merrimack County</u>.
- 8. <u>Antrim Wind Energy (AWE)</u> –discussed. Several public hearings planned and SEC documents are to be shared around regarding SEC Jurisdiction. Following discussion it was decided that the commission would not intervene in the proceedings as the project is essentially the same as the previous project. Vote 5-0 to not intervene. Chair does not vote unless to break a tie.
- 9. Peter Ordered Big Trees of NH by Kevin Martin-28 hikes to find the largest trees in the state \$24.95
- 10. Wetland Permits-
- 11. Intents to Cut-

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| 2015-001 | John Robertson Map 217, Lot 2 off Route 202 (30 acres) |
| 2015-002 | Meadowsend Timberlands Ltd. Map 210, Lot 1 off Route 9 (100 acres) |
| 2015-003 | Richard Carter Map 223, Lot 1 off Salmon Brook Road (20 acres) |
| 2015-004 | Jamie Whitney Map 227, Lot 38 on Route 31 (3 acres) |
| 2015-005 | Craney Hill Realty Trust Map 204, Lot 12, on Whitney Rd (2 acres) |

- 1. Harris Center http://www.harriscenter.org/Programs/programs.htm
- 2. Monadnock Conservancy: <u>http://www.monadnockconservancy.org</u>

Next Meeting: Scheduled for Wednesday, May 27, 2015 at 530 pm in the Town Hall.