

Charlestown Conservation Commission meeting 17 Dec 2012

Members present: Jim Fowler, Steve Dumont, Dick Holmes, Mike Francis

Called to order 7:06 P.M. by Steve Dumont chair

Minutes of 19 Nov approved as written

- 1) Recent Events:
 - a) Nature trail/town land walk – Steve Dumont, Dick Holmes, Mike Francis and Jim Fowler walked the boundaries of the town forest beside the fire station on 15 Dec. They took GPS points at the corners. Map now available on the town GPS unit.
- 2) Hubbard Hill encroachment – Ing Seaboyer from the state and Dick Holmes have arranged a walk of the Hubbard Hill state forest on Wed, 26 Dec at 9:30. Meet at the Borough Road trailhead. They will be checking on the illegal ATV/snowmobile trail and discuss new state proposals for state forest logging.
- 3) Correspondence – Steve Dumont reviewed correspondence received since last meeting including:
 - a) DES ltr to Atlas Railroad Construction acknowledging their permit request is not complete.
 - b) New England Railroad permit request to build a road through wetlands to allow work on the railroad.
 - c) NH Natural Heritage Bureau response to request from town forester on endangered species in Halls Pond lot. There is Northeastern bulrush in Halls Pond.
- 4) Other business –
 - a) Steve Dumont emailed Peter Rhodes asking him to meet with CCC on updating our town forest management plans.
 - b) There is \$54.30 left in CCC account. Motion made and passed to give \$50 to the library to purchase environmental books. Recommendation for a Bill McKibben book.
 - c) *Northern Woodlands* magazine has donated a book, *The Outside Story*, to the town. Jim Fowler will see that it gets to the library.
 - d) Ruth Pratt called Dick Holmes on possible wetlands violations by logging crew in South Charlestown. Dick called Peter Rhodes who investigated and found violations. He talked to the logging company and the violations will be corrected.

Adjourned 7:50 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Jim Fowler secretary

Minutes accepted by Steve Dumont chair

Steve Dumont

date