

Charlestown Conservation Commission meeting 15 September 2014

Members Present: Jim Fowler, Dick Lincourt, Steve Dumont

Guest Present: Luke Hurley – Gove Environmental Services

Called to order 7:04 P.M. by Steve Dumont chair

No quorum so no voting took place

- 1) National Grid Dredge and Fill request – Luke Hurley briefed CCC on a wetlands request headed to DES for expanding a sub-station on the south eastern side of Main Street, behind Wee Haven. They wish to fill part of existing seasonal wetlands and change the course of a seasonal stream which now flows into the sub-station. Also the entrance to the substation is too tight for their existing trucks to adequately access the site. They want to fill 560 sq ft of the wetlands and direct the water flow south of the sub-station to join an existing drainage system.
- 2) Adopt-a-highway – set for Saturday, 18 October.
- 3) TransCanada/Field Geology Services - are doing a survey of river bank erosion of the Connecticut River and 120 miles away from the river. They want photos, maps, surveys that show the riverbank in the past or examples of past erosions. CCC decided that portions of the NRI may apply and an article in “Our Town” for citizens to submit information they may have.
- 4) Blanchflower Lumber – Dick Holmes was CCed on an email from the town to Timber DRA NH gov. CCC had problems with Blanchflower Lumber and brought our Forester, Peter Rhoades, in to investigate violations of a cut. Mr. Blanchflower has since passed away. An Intent to Cut was filed by Janet Boucher who claimed to be part owner of the company. The town can find no proof of this. The company was supposed to bring in paperwork to prove that but never showed up. The town again asked Peter Rhoades to investigate. He reported that logging is ongoing on the property and again they are not in compliance with laws. The town is asking the state for assistance.
- 5) Correspondence – intent to cut – Burrough Road
- 6) Other Business – Jim Fowler briefed CCC on his attendance to the Erosion Control Field Day 20 Aug. (See attached.) He will give all handouts to the highway crew.

Adjourned 8:02 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Jim Fowler secretary

Minutes approved by Steve Dumont chair

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Steve Dumont

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