

Charlestown Conservation Commission meeting 18 Dec 17

Members Present: Dick Holmes, Jim Fowler, Dick Lincourt, Ruth Pratt

Alternate Members Present: Dean Bascom

Called to order: 7:05 PM by Dick Holmes chair

Dean Bascom seated in place of Mike Francis

Minutes of 18 Sep 17 approved as written

Minutes of 20 Nov 17 approved as written

- 1) Trail clearing – Jim Fowler briefed about the work five members of the ConCom accomplished on Great Meadows Trail. They cleared the vines off the trees and shrubs from the first stone wall northward and reached the lower bat-house. Also discussed that the boy scouts had mounted the benches on the trail, one at the first wall and the other at the southern end of the trail. Ruth Pratt will write a letter thanking the boy scouts and an article for the Our Town.
- 2) NSCS EQIP report – Dick Holmes attended a Select-board meeting and talked to them about the subject. Two liked it, one didn't want the town to surrender too much authority for the property. Dick Holmes has arranged for Jeff Snitkins, our forester from Bay State, to attend the next Select-board meeting and discuss it with them. Much discussion.
- 3) Correspondence – Dick Holmes reviewed correspondence received since last meeting including:
 - a) intent to cut the Putnam Farms land on Meany Road.
- 4) Other Business
 - a) Dick Holmes informed the ConCom that we have \$140.58 left in our budget. Discussion. Motion made and passed to donate the money to the library to purchase environmental books.
 - b) NHACC survey – Discussion of what to put in the survey. Dick Holmes to complete the survey and update the NHACC contact list.

Adjourned: 8:07 PM

Minutes submitted by Jim Fowler secretary

Minutes accepted by Dick Holmes chair

Dick Holmes

date