

Charlestown Conservation Commission meeting 15 Oct 18

Members Present: Dick Holmes, Jim Fowler, Dick Lincourt, Sue Forcier, Steve Neill (ex officio)

Alternate Members Present: Dean Bascom

Called to order 7:02 PM by Dick Holmes chair

Dean Bascom seated in place of Ruth Pratt

Minutes of 17 Sep 18 approved as written

- 1) South Hemlock Town forest – Dick Holmes and Travis Royce walked Jeff Snitkin around the boundaries of the forest. He sent a letter to the ConCom in reference to making a Town Forest Management Plan. Cost \$1625. He will also talk to Vic St. Pierre about going through his property to access the town forest for forest work. Discussion on acquiring a right-a-way. Dick Holmes to discuss a right-a-way with Mr. Snitkin. When they came out from their walk, they crossed the Neil rice property. That way is not feasible, too wet. Motion made and passed to accept Jeff Snitkin's proposal contingent on being able to be accessed via Vic St. Pierre's property.
- 2) Camping Ordinance – Discussion. ConCom will present the ordinance to the SelectBoard at their first meeting in November.
- 3) Bacon Property – Fling Road Dam – letter from DES on their report on the dam. They declared the dam a 'non-menace' dam. Status could change in the future. Discussion. Nothing heard from the Bacon's or the Realtors. Decided to wait.
- 4) Adopt-a-Highway – done. 65 bags of trash collected. 26 people showed up.
- 5) NHACC annual meeting – 3 Nov Dick Holmes, Jim Fowler, Ruth Pratt attending. Motion made and passed to reimburse the attendees their \$60, plus gas for who drives
- 6) LCIP monitoring – set up for Sat Oct 27th, 9:00 AM at Boroughs Road corner.
- 7) Correspondence – Dick Holmes reviewed correspondence received since last meeting including:
 - a) complete forestry notification for Hemingways property off Meany Road.
- 8) Other business
 - a) request for yearly budget request – discussion – motion made passed to request \$1200.
 - b) Dues invoice to pay NHACC dues of \$325. Motion made and passed to pay.
 - c) Donny Highter mowed four times. Motion made and passed to pay him \$200.
 - d) Dean Bascom and Dick Holmes attended the invasive species talk. Discussion on Weed Wrenches.

Adjourned 8:20 PM

Minutes submitted by Jim Fowler secretary

Minutes accepted by Dick Holmes chair