

Charlestown Conservation Commission meeting 17 Dec 18

Members Present: Dick Holmes, Jim Fowler, Dick Lincourt, Sue Forcier

Called to order 7:06 PM by Dick Holmes chair

Minutes of 19 Nov 18 approved as amended

- 1) South Hemlock Town Forest – Jeff Snitkin met with Vic St. Pierre. Mr. Snitkin also walked the property. Discussion on whether Mr. St. Pierre has the right to allow the town to use his right-of-way to the property. Unclear at this time. Dick Holmes emailed Mr. Snitkin about the value of Vic St. Pierre’s lot. He replied not much right now but under proper management can be useful. Vic St. Pierre said that he was busy and would get back to us later. Discussion.
- 2) Town forest Ordinance – Selectboard to hold a public hearing for the ordinance at their 18 Dec meeting at 6:30 PM. We should attend to answer any questions. Then the board will vote on the ordinance.
- 3) LCIP letters to land owners – have been sent along with letters from the state with an outline of the state’s concerns.
- 4) Weed wrench – ordered
- 5) USDA project and Reservoir Lot timber harvest – Dick Holmes sent Jeff Snitkin an email asking when we get the paperwork for the USDA project and when the timber harvest will resume. No answer yet.
- 6) Unallocated funds – We still have \$141.01 left. Motion made and passed to give the money to Silsby Library to purchase environmental books.
- 7) Correspondence – Dick Holmes reviewed correspondence received since last meeting including:
 - a) notification that Vic St. Pierre did a waterfront assessment of a house off Burma Road. The landowner wants to expand the house and update the septic system.
- 8) Other business – trees down – Dick Holmes and Jim Fowler cut up the trees on the Reservoir Lot Trail. Dick Lincourt and Jim fowler will meet to cut up the trees down across the Hubbard Hill state Forest Trail. Discussion on the Nature Trail.

Adjourned – 7:52 PM.

Minutes submitted by Jim Fowler secretary

Minutes accepted by Dick Holmes chair

Dick Holmes

date