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Charlestown Conservation Commission meeting 19 Feb 18

Members Present: Dick Holmes, Jim Fowler, Dick Lincourt, Ruth Pratt, Mike Francis,
Steve Neill (ex officio)

Alternate Members Present: Dean Bascom, Donna Bascom, Sue Forcier

Called to order 7:00 PM by Dick Holmes chair

Sue Forcier seated in place of Gabe Bailey

Minutes of 15 Jan 18 approved as amended

- 1) NRCS EQIP project – Signed by Selectboard. Jeff Snitkin walked through the reservoir Lot with NRCS rep, Wendy Ward. Jeff Snitkin will submit maps and paperwork to NRCS before March deadline.
- 2) Timber Sale – Reservoir Lot – Jeff Snitkin and logger walked the cut and decided because of the weather to stop the cut for the year. Also because, effective Wednesday the town will post the dirt roads as limited to 6 tons. Jeff asked for a year's extension to finish the cut. Discussion. Motion made and passed to recommend to the Selectboard to extend the cut for two years.
 - a) reminder of the Timber Harvest Tour Mar 4th at 4-5:30 PM
- 3) South Hemlock Town forest – letter was sent to Mrs. Deming. No reply as of yet. Discussion on other options to access the town lot.
- 4) Appointments – Dick Holmes and Gabe Bailey need to be reappointed. Discussion. Dick Holmes agreed to renew and remain chair. He will send an email to Gabe Bailey.
- 5) March meeting date – Dick Holmes will not be in town for the 19th meeting. Motion made and approved to push the meeting to the 26th of March.
- 6) Correspondence – Dick Holmes reviewed correspondence received since last meeting including:
 - a) UVLT flyer on a gathering 20 Feb. Dick Holmes and Jim Fowler will attend.
 - b) two intents to cut – South Hemlock – Old Schoolhouse Road.
- 7) Other Business
 - a) Discussion of taking the ash trees out along Old Acworth Stage Road as part of Reservoir Lot cut. Because it is a scenic byway we need Planning Board approval. Seems we have it.
 - b) Jim Fowler mentioned that we lost more of the trail in Great Meadows. The ice blocks seem to have ripped into the bank.

Adjourned: 7:47 PM.

Minutes submitted by Jim Fowler secretary

Minutes accepted by Dick Holmes chair

Dick Holmes

date