

Fracestown Conservation Commission

Fracestown, NH

Approved Minutes

October 5, 2015

Members present: Shuffleton, Marshall, Heath, Holmes, Hardwick, Crooker, Sanderson, Carbee, Freese, Fitzgerald

Meeting came to order 7:30 PM

Minutes- Minutes from 8-3-15 and special Meeting 8-24-15 were reviewed by board members. Heath motioned to accept minutes from 8-24-15 as written. Freese 2nd. All approved. Crooker motioned to accept minutes from 8-3-15 as amended. Freese 2nd. All approved.

Notices and Announcements – SPNHF sent a memo that they would like their monitoring reports filled out and filed online.

NHACC sent information about the Annual Session being held 11-7-15

Fitzgerald reported that she attended a meeting in Keene which was organized by Cheshire County Conservation Commission and NHACC and good information was exchanged. She noted that there were lots of farmers on the ConComs in that area. There was a discussion about bio solids being spread on fields.

Old Business JH Nature Series- Ted Graham has a list of ideas and will let us know when it is narrowed down and what dates programs will be held. He will co-ordinate the details of the JH Nature Series programs.

Duck boxes- Marshall spoke with Scott Jenkins and he has not been able to complete any boxes. Marshall might contact the Building Trades teacher and the new High School woodshop teacher and see if they are interested in helping to build the boxes. She suggested a workshop where people could build their own duck boxes.

Lord Forest/Other school science projects- Marshall spoke with Paul and they would like to do the interpretive trail, but don't want to take the kids out of school for a long time and have them miss other classes. They want to do as much as possible in school. They might want to do the project on a more well used trail and incorporate history along with natural features.

Annual Monitoring- Heath and Hardwick have finished the last 2 reports for 2014 and they have been sent in.

Updated By-Laws- Hardwick has worked on them, but they are not quite complete.

Trail work day/ Snowmobile trails status- Ben and Robin Haubrich, Scot Heath, Ben and Sara Hardwick and Betsy Hardwick worked in Dinsmore. The main trail was brush hogged and the wash out by the culvert area was repaired.

Hillsboro Night Riders will continue to maintain the snowmobile trails through Dinsmore area. These trails connect with corridor 6 which goes up to Canada. The CM Riderunners will take care of the rest of the trails. They are trying to get the trail opened through Shattuck Pond to County Rd North.

New Business – CIP Project- ConCom has been asked to submit any projects we foresee pursuing in the next 6 years. The board agreed we have no projects planned at this time.

2015 Annual Monitoring- Annual monitoring will be done in the month of November. Carbee will monitor the Murray easement this year and all other easements will be monitored by the same board members as last year. Hardwick will email forms for the monitoring reports to all board members.

New Programs- The board will think about projects and ideas for next year and discuss at future meetings.

Annual NHACC Meeting- It will be held 11-7-15 this year and Hardwick requested all interested register before the early bird deadline ends so we don't have to pay the higher rate. Board members interested should register online and then give to Betsy and all registrations will go in with a check from the town.

Other Business- Carbee reported on a property on Pleasant Pond road that the owner has dumped a large pile of sand near the pond, moved some of it and some has washed into the pond. Carbee will take photos and try to ID owner and report to DES.

Crooker motioned to adjourn. Sanderson 2nd. Meeting adjourned 8:47 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Holmes, Clerk