

Conservation Commission January 8th 2019 Meeting Minutes Draft Location:  
Hampton Falls Town Hall Call

Present: Robert Wiener, Paul Melanson, Mary Ann Hill, Shawn Hanson, James Kibler,  
Karen Ayers, Cathy Golas

Absent: Nancy Roka, Dale Ohsberg, Glenn Schrempf

Cathy Golas was made a voting member.

Call the meeting to order: 6:32pm

New Business:

Review design of a story map. The commission would like to create a story map which will include town owned land that contain walking trails or recreation opportunities. The map is intended to be posted on our website and if it seems useful other types of story maps are planned.

The Conservation Fund CD is maturing on January 19<sup>th</sup> The commission is researching the best possible rate and will reinvest in another 1 year CD at the best rate possible. The Last rate was 1.3% and the total of the fund is \$331,821.

M. Hill will be presenting an informational session on the different types of invasive plants that plaque most parts of Hampton Falls and NH. This Session is planned for the Month of May on a Thursday at the Library. The commission will also offer a field walk the following Saturday to have a hands-on presentation of these invasive plants and information about how some of these invasive plants are removed in an environmentally friendly way.

P. Melanson suggested the commission leave the hill that leads to the pond at Raspberry farm to revert to an early succession forest or let it develop itself into a wild flower field. The commission discussed this idea along with other ideas and concerns about the allowable uses of the land. The commission will review the wording of the conservation easement to determine acceptable uses of the land and revisit the idea.

Other: None

Motion: To accept the December 11th meeting minutes as written R. Wiener 1<sup>st</sup> M. Hill 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:21pm

Next Meeting: February 12th 6:30pm Town Hall.