

**HANOVER CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES, DECEMBER 12, 2012**

Meeting called to order at 5:05 pm, Town Hall, 41 South Main Street, Hanover, NH

Members present: Ed Chamberlain (EC), Chair, Michael Mayor (MM), Athos Rassias (AR), Jim Kennedy (JK) (minutes taker)

Staff: Jonathan Edwards (JE), Vicki Smith (VS)

1. Current Business

Dana Pasture - The Natural Resource Inventory (NRI) being performed by Watersheds to Wildlife is being completed. A draft for Commission comment will be available for the February 13 meeting. The court schedule is unknown.

Discussion of the Trails Map was postponed due to the absence of Doug McIlroy (DM).

Budget 2014 - VS presented the 2013 budget. All funds have been expended, and there is currently \$5.00 in unencumbered funds. The Goose Pond Lake Host Program (\$1,000) was in the Commission budget, but was funded by the general fund. VS will request an additional \$1,000 for management planning in 2014, and will prepare an explanation for the request. Contingencies needed for 2014 include Pleasant Street clearing and Rinker invasive plant control. Hanover DPW will be performing maintenance on Hayes Park and Fullington, requiring a shift of funding to the Commission budget. The budget process will still be open by the January 9 Commission meeting.

2. Resource Stewardship

VS presented the 2012 Monitoring Report. All property inspections have been completed.

The proposed Mount Tug conservation easement with height restrictions is still under review by the Manegolds.

JE reported that, for 911 purposes, Goss Road now officially extends to the Tower Road.

JE reported that a tree has fallen into the river at the South Esker property.

VS reported that Tom Linnell has been clearing trails on the Dana Pasture land.

3. Administrative Business

JK is the December Minutes Taker

MM is the January Minutes Taker

DM is the February Minutes Taker

4. Committee Reports

Open Space - no meeting last month.

Trails - no report due to DM absence.

Biodiversity - no report due to Alan Saucier absence. VS reports that the Rinker Tract invasive plant control work looks good.

5. Approval of Minutes

No minutes were available for the November 14, 2012 meeting.

6. Other Business

MM reminds the Commission that this is the last official meeting for Jonathan Edwards, and thanks him for his valuable service. JE reports that he will still be around to observe the proceedings from time to time.

7. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Kennedy, Minutes Taker