Poland Conservation Commission Minutes of 10-14-15

Members Present: Fred Huntress (co-chairperson), Barry Morgan, John Laskey, Keith Messer, Steve Robinson (Selectboard Liaison). Absent with notification: Don Stover. Absent: Bill Eldridge, Sue Ellis, Sandra Knowles.

Meeting called to order: 7pm.

Minutes of 8-25-15 were reviewed and accepted.

Introduction of new member Barry Morgan.

Furman/Hilt Hollow Area Easement:

Fred wrote to Witt Beals of NEFF, in the response NEFF expressed interest of implementing an easement on the area.

The easement is flexible, allowing blocking out areas such as, Transfer Station, buildings and areas of intensive use.

Proposed easement timeline: February 1st, 2016.

Proposal Guidelines:

- forest management plan on easement area
- expense of implementing easement
- parcel size
- area proposed
- monetary avenue for endowment: timber harvest sales, tree growth penalties, etc.

The easement are should be clarified with boundary lines.

During the discussion it was noted that the Bragdon Hill Conservation Area easement was approved in 2010 and implemented in 2012.

During the November meeting an area map will be studied to agree on the area to be designated for the easement.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted by, Keith Messer