

Poland Conservation Commission  
Minutes of 12-31-15

Members Present: Fred Huntress (co-chairperson), Don Stover (co-chairperson), Bill Eldridge, Sue Ellis, John Laskey, Keith Messer, Barry Morgan.

Meeting called to order; 10am.

Minutes of 12-9-15 were reviewed and accepted.

The discussion included the following:

**Proposed Warrant Articles concerning Timber Sales:**

The Proposed Warrant concerning Timber Sale Income was reviewed followed by discussion. Following discussion the commission there was unanimous consensus to present the proposed Article for Timber Sales to the Selectboard for consideration.

The draft document for considerations for a Town of Poland Timber Harvesting Policy was reviewed followed by discussion. During the discussion it was decided to further review the Comprehensive Plan for open space, conservation and timber sales language. Following the discussion it was decided to present the draft document to the Selectboard for review.

**Public Relations:**

The previous discussion on the proposed warrant articles raised the question of; How does the commission get the word out?

It was suggested that use of newspaper articles, a possible public forum to present the benefits of a long-term investment in conservation and preserving open space areas.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20am.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Keith Messer