## Poland Conservation Commission Minutes 8-25-15

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

Meeting called to order: 7:10pm.

Minutes of 6-10-15 were reviewed and accepted.

This unscheduled meeting was called to review the recent tax acquired properties, also to review the Proposed Solution to Bakerton Heights Subdivision(Hilt Hollow).

## **Tax Acquired Properties:**

The tax acquired properties are as follows;

Map 13 Lots #4, #3, #3A, #1, which are locate off Lucy's Drive. The lots abut one another and the combined acreage is 69.5 acres. The lots were clear cut approx 25-30 yrs ago and the return growth is small diameter growth that is a mixture of species with minimal marketable timber.

Lot #1 consists of 26.1 acres with frontage on Rt. 11 may be a build-able lot, a DOT driveway would be required.

During the discussion the options were to retain the lots for future timber value, considering that retaining property would prevent sprawl, extending town services and the potential for another clearcut.

Map 9 Lot#22, consists of .8 acres without any access. The assessed value is \$2000 and Fred estimates the value of the timber is to be approx \$1500. During discussion it was decided the the lot had no wood harvesting or conservation value.

Map 28 Lot 11-B consists of .36 acres with an old building on the property, during discussion it was decided that the property had no wood harvesting or conservation value.

Conclusion: Based on the review the Commission finds that there is no conservation or wood harvesting value of the properties.

## **Bakerton Heights(Hilt Hollow):**

The Commission reviewed the Proposed Solution to the Bakerton Heights Subdivision. After discussion the members of the Commission voted in favor with John Crouch abstaining, due to his membership status, to move forward with the strategy outlined in the proposal.

Conclusion: The Commission reviewed the Proposed Solution to the Bakerton Heights Subdivision and urge the Selectboard to give the proposal consideration.

Meeting adjourned at 9pm.

Respectfully submitted by, Keith Messer