

Loudon Conservation Commission  
Minutes  
February 2, 2015

Attendance:

Julie Robinson, Rob Buzzell, Polly Touzin, Sandy Sims

The minutes from January were sent to the Selectmen and Julie is working on getting them into the Ledger and on the Loudon Communication Council website.

There were no conservation issues at the January planning board meeting.

Julie discussed the need to get going on the monitoring. Polly and Sandy agreed to take on the task of monitoring the LCIP and FRPP lands. They will contact Steve Walker at LCIP and have him assist them for a day on the LCIP lands so they can become comfortable with the monitoring. Sandy said that she had been working on the GPS unit but found the learning curve to be quite difficult. She will continue to work on it and going out with Steve for a day should help them with any questions.

Julie discussed the possibility of doing an article in the ledger 3-4 times a year on issues that the Conservation Commission deals with. She thought this would be a good way to get Loudon residents interested in the Commission's work and possibly interested in joining the commission. Julie will look into this and get back to the group in March. In the meantime topics of interest were discussed including, the Lake Host Program, highlighting the Town Forest and monitoring. Rob volunteered to write a short article on the Town Forest and Polly will work on an article for the summer months on the Lake Host Program.

Julie updated the group on the meeting with the Selectmen and David Ladd and Sally Cole. The meeting went extremely well, the Selectmen reiterated our concerns about the weak easement language. We do not need a warrant article for Town Meeting since we are not expending money from the CIP fund to go forward on this project since the easement is a gift from the Ladd Family. The LCIP easement language was emailed to Sally for her and David to review and was also sent to the Selectmen. The Commission felt this language, if the Ladd's agreed, would be a good fit for the property since it is surrounded by other LCIP properties and would make the language uniform for all the properties. Julie will contact Sally Cole to see how they are coming with their review of the language.

A letter was sent to Dan Geiger thanking him for his work on the Commission for many years. Dan has not been to a meeting for over a year and so has been removed as a member of the Commission. Ginny Lamberton has asked to be removed as a member of the Commission her schedule does not allow her to attend meetings. Julie will inform the Town office.

Julie has requested planning and zoning booklets for each of the members of the Commission. She will bring them to the March meeting.

Julie wrote up a short summary for the Town Report and has sent that to the Selectmen's office. She also wrote letters to the Selectmen asking that Sandy Blanchard become a fulltime member and Sally Sims be an alternate. If approved, Julie will let them know when they can go to the Town office to be signed in.

Adjourned at 7pm