



# TOWN OF CAMPTON

## *Conservation Commission*

### Minutes

October 6,, 2021 @ 7 PM Town Hall

Meeting Chair: Jim Butler

Minutes: Rebecca Steeves Present: Jess Halm, Jane Kellogg, Shannon Garnsey, Dick Osborne

1. September Minutes: Jane made a motion to approve. Jess seconded. All voted in favor.
2. WBBF Updates -On Sept. 3: Miller family had met over Zoom with PBLT and CCC members to further discuss the Conservation Easement Deed. PBLT was given an opportunity to present themselves, the history and work of the land trust, and answer questions from the Millers. Since the meeting, the progress has slowed due to Miller's attorney full work schedule. An additional addendum to the P&S was needed at the end of September in order to keep extending the deadline as parties move forward with agreements. The latest addendum is December 3 for closing, so by Nov. 2 to finalize land trust conditions. Jane, Jess and Jim recently sent an email to Melissa Miller to keep lines of communication open. Jane will reach out to Brian to see if he has heard from the Millers' attorney on current progress on their end.
3. Pattee Conservation Park

Controlled Burn Update - maybe at the end of this month but due to the wet fall it may not be possible; may need to do it on a weekend so may ask members to volunteer to help. FD wants to do it and will decide based on weather. One glitch is that the Veteran's Day race held by the karate group will be happening on the first weekend in November and typically uses the field for parking. The 2 events will be coordinated as best we can. Also Tim Harvey reached out to offer to volunteer to mow in the historic sense. Jane mentioned putting signage there with information about the ecological management/benefits of a natural meadow (maybe similar to what is at the butterfly garden at CES). CCC is up for Conservation Matters in April so we'll focus on this.

4. Blair Woodland Natural Area - Shannon reported that the Boy Scouts are meeting again and did some demo at the 1st bridge and took measurements. Lumber will be gathered (some purchased if necessary, making an effort to avoid PT) - Dick has some hemlock that could be used. Jane mentioned that trimming shingles might help provide tread on the boards.

5. Budget

- a. Review Budget proposal for 2022. Submit to the Select Board for review? - Shannon reviewed it with similar numbers as last year. Jim will get in touch with Dan to see about updating the website. Will forward to Carina tomorrow and the hearing is on December 6.
- b. Review present balance/discuss expenses to finish out the year - Jane made a motion to reimburse the CGC \$75 for maintenance of the Liberty Tree at PCP, Jess seconded and all approved. There may be some expense for the BNWA bridge and/or member attendance at the NHACC Annual Meeting.

6. Correspondence -1) invoice from NHACC for membership for 2022 showing \$250.00. 2) Invitation to the Grafton County Conservation District meet and greet on October 13 in Woodsville.

7. Other business - Work session of the Planning Board regarding the development near Paige Hill (the land that was cleared off Rt. 175); mention of a road from Winterbrook up to Page Hill.

Next meeting : November 3rd @ 7 PM. Shannon to Chair.