

CAMPTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

December 1, 2021 @ 7 PM

Town Hall Meeting Room

Meeting Chair: Dick Osborne. Present: Jess Halm, Jane Kellogg, Shannon Garnsey, Jim Butler. Minutes: Rebecca Steeves

1. Review, approval of November minutes - Jane made a motion, Dick seconded - approved.

2. Property Updates:

- a. BWNA - not closed yet due to mild weather; bridge completed by Webelos (BSA) courtesy of Tom Garnsey. CCC to send thank you.
- b. WBBF - Davis grant final report was due and has been sent. Jess received confirmation that it was received. Conservation Easement language is completed and the Nov. 8 deadline was met for all parties to agree on the language. Jim worked with PBLT to finalize details on wording and formatting. PBLT Stewardship Committee recently completed the Baseline Document and sent to NH DES. Work is now being done by Attorney Ray to meet the closing date of Dec. 17. The Sub-committee met virtually with PBLT on Sunday to go over closing processes: first the deed is signed over to the new owner (Town of Campton), then the Conservation Easement is signed by NH DES Commissioner, PBLT President and TOC Selectmen. The Baseline Document will be signed by the CC and PBLT. The town will only need to write one check for closing that will include all fees for closing. The survey mylar is ready for registration with Grafton County and Jane has initiated the process to get funds to register the mylar. Jane sent out our draft Management Plan to Lori Sommer at NHDES. A Thank You Moose Plate sign was sent to hang on the WBBF kiosk since those funds were used in the purchase. Jane asked for ideas for a celebration - core group, donors. Jess thought about having our Winter Walk at WBBF, but there is no parking. Jim suggested a mailing to donors with an invite to contact a member for a tour. Jane presented a To Do list for post-closing. Some discussion about the communication to thank and update donors (notecards, cards, letter, etc.). Dick will start a letter for donors and send it around to all members for editing. Jane mentioned an article to Record Enterprise. Jim made a motion to accept the final language of the WBBF Land Trust easement, Shannon seconded - approved.
- c. Pattee Conservation Park (PCP) - the field was burned on Nov.7 as a practice burn by the fire department and WMNF. The CTFD thought it went well and could do it in the future, but it shouldn't be an annual event.

3. Budget -

- a. 2021 - NHACC member registration. Jane made a motion to reimburse Tom Garnsey \$41.85 for BWNA bridge materials, Jess seconded - approved. Jane made a motion to reimburse Rebecca Steeves \$ 35 for NHACC conference registration, Jess seconded - approved. Jane made a motion to pay for registration of mylar mapping - \$25 to LCHIP, \$26 to Grafton County, Jess seconded - approved. Jane suggested buying 2 books of stamps with some of the remaining funds in the 2021 budget: about \$70.
- b. 2022 - Shannon will present 2021 budget at Selectboard meeting next week.

4. Town Report: usually to Carina in January to be printed in town report. Brainstormed items to include. A draft of last year's report was put into Google Docs for members to begin working/

5. NHACC report -Rebecca gave summary of sessions she attended.

6. Pattee Conservation Park- Dick asked if there was a plan, many trees are dying. Jane suggested we request a visit from the county forester sometime to inquire and ask for suggestions. Jim suggested if a harvest is planned, it would be in winter months.

7. Carina's departure - Jane has inquired but not heard about any plans for a send-off. She suggested that members reach out to her before Friday.

8. Correspondence - we sent thank yous to the Webelo Pack (for the BWNA bridge), CTFD (for the burn), Tim Harvey (for mowing), & Carina (for her amazing assistance with CCC business).

9. AOB/ Facebook - Winter Walk this year. The bog is not a good option, there is no parking at WBBF, but if we can find parking, we could walk BWNA. Jess will check with Lea and we'll tentatively plan on January 23 or 30, depending on what Lea thinks.

Adjourned at 8:38pm.

Next regular meeting: January 5. Jane to Chair.