

# Campton Conservation Commission

December 7, 2022

Municipal Building Meeting Room

7:00 PM

## Minutes

Present: Jane Kellogg (chair), Jess Halm, Jim Butler, Rebecca Steeves (minutes).

1. November minutes: review, approve - Jane made a motion to approve, Jim seconded; approved.
2. 2023 Budget: reviewed by Selectboard on 11/28 - report from Shannon that review went well; Jim will follow up with the Garden Club about Liberty Tree maintenance bill. Instead we will ask Corey to encumber the remaining balance to cover the tree bill when it comes. Jess made a motion to request to encumber our remaining balance to next year in preparation for the anticipated expense, as shared with Garden Club, for tree maintenance, paying the total amount from the CCC budget, rather than the Conservation Fund; Jane seconded; approved.
3. Resignation letter from Dick Osbourne. - sent to Jane dated October 2, received after the November meeting; to the Town Clerk and Chairperson of the CCC, announcing his resignation from the commission. He was honored and privileged to serve. Jane made a motion to accept with gratitude for 5 years of service, Rebecca seconded; approved.
4. WBBF:
  - kiosk installation - on Sunday, November 27, with Brian Hilliard, Jess, Jane, Jim, Ron Reynolds, Bob Pike. All went well. Work to be continued: permanent roofing material needs to be installed; all agree on gray/brown/earth color but some discussion about wood, asphalt, or metal. Jane will check at Restore for asphalt shingles available.
  - signage update - in process, Jim and Jess are still working on it.
  - gate: estimates, posts, placement, timing - we received an estimate \$2200 from Keeney Welding including manufacture of steel gate, painting, installing, but no posts. Discussion to hold off on posts until spring so will have the gate made now to be ready for spring; Jess made a motion to hire Craig Keeney to build, paint (green), and install (in spring) the gate, for his quoted price of \$2200; Jim seconded; approved. There was some discussion about trying to install the posts this year (1 8"x8"x 8' on each side of driveway and 1 for when it's open - 3 total). Jane will get in touch with him tomorrow.
  - winter considerations - for this year, Jess has saw horses that can be used when closure for icy or muddy conditions exist. Jane will get reflective tape to put on.

Jess will ask a neighbor if we can store the saw horses at their house, otherwise Jess will keep them until needed.

- historic items from the Spokesfield house are beginning to come from Millers - Jane is putting this together; she brought some items Kevin Miller has provided (letters, tools, cans, etc.). She will let the historical society know that she has them and could pass them along.
- monitoring: PBLT scheduled for Dec 10 - annual process with monitoring report expected when complete.
- rustic benches along the trail(similar to benches at BWNA) - Jess will check on language in easement and discuss with PBLT. Locations should be determined so they can go on the map, if we are able to put them in. Jim and Jess had suggested 4 locations for consideration.

#### 5. BWNA

- winter parking closure cable & signage - Jane has the closure cable and added white piping and reflective tape to it. She will put it up once there is snow.
- map, natural species lists for kiosk - Jane retyped the species lists and they are in Google Docs and has a map to print. She will post them back on kiosk and Jim will help, getting a QR code for sign. Jess did a couple of hours of work by clearing some overgrowth around the parking area and trails.

#### 6. 2022 annual report: due January. No deadline known now.

- draft now, review through email and @ Jan meeting - at last meeting, Jane mentioned it, Bill read through past reports and offered to start on this year's; he will try to get something around to people before the next meeting.

#### 7. Winter tracking event: could maybe be at WBBF, Jess will reach out to Lea Stewart.

#### 8. AOB - Jess and Jane did the roadside clean-up along the CCC stretch.

- Barry Camp -Jan 15 deadline for campers we will sponsor. Shannon will get in touch with Kate Scambio at CES about starting the application process. Once she makes contact we will work out the details for interviewing and making selection of 1 boy, 1 girl. Thinking about the 4-H on the Wild Side Session - July 16-21 (age 10-16).

#### 9. Mail - letter from C-TFD about the 9-1-1 physical address of WBBF property: 2187 US Rt. 3, Campton NH. Discussion about posting those numbers once gate posts are in.

Next meeting: January 4, 2023. Bill to Chair

Adjourned at 8:45pm.