

Stoddard Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, Feb 22, 2017 Time: 7:30 p.m.

Place: Town Hall

Members Present: (marked with XX)

Geoff Jones__XX

Scott Semmens__XX

Paul Crosby__XX

Brenda Bryer_____

Helen Tam-Semmens__XX

1. Budget - It is determined that \$2400 to be put in for the Con Com's yearly budget is adequate. Brenda to request Pat to send us Con Com's latest financial report.
2. Annual Report - Geoff will work on it to be included in the Town Report. It is requested that the annual report be submitted by March 1 in docx format.
3. Antrim Wind update - Appeal process taking place, on the basis that the Site Evaluation Committee ignored their own rules and laws.
4. Fish & Game bills - House bill HB467 sponsored by Rep. Eaton did not pass the House. Senate bill SB48 passed out of House Committee by 5-0 vote. It will soon face full Senate vote.
5. Trail work and dam maintenance - to be scheduled once there is better clarity when the roads will open up from winter snow.
6. Faulkner School field trip and outdoor classroom - Ray spoke with Jackie Cornwall about it. Jackie seemed interested in field trip in spring. Geoff has Invited her to our next CC meeting on March 22 to discuss.
7. Old Home Days speaker - Scott Semmens can possibly speak about tracking and trailing animals and conservation work in South Africa.
8. GIS license - Beneficial for our Con Com to get a yearly license. Scott to explore with Geoff on the different ways: 1. Can our CC be considered a non-profit and get a non-profit license fairly cheap? Geoff to ask Barbara at NHACC whether she has better idea on non-profit status of CCs. Scott to try sending in application for this. 2. Apply for a grant from ESRI for our conservation projects. 3. If all else fails, perhaps partner with

Falkner elementary school to get a cheap school license, and then involve the kids with some fun GIS project. Also possibly present what we do with GIS at next NHACC meeting.

9. UNH cooperative extension wants us to submit shape files for our town-owned land, so that they can make a database for all town-owned land in NH. Paul will get back to them.