

BRENTWOOD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting of January 13, 2016

Members in attendance: Doug Cowie, Heather Dudley-Tatman, Jeff Donald, Jody Kaufman, Emily Schmalzer, and Rob Wofchuck, chair

Selectmen's Rep in attendance: Bob Mantegari

Alternates in attendance: Reid Bunker

Public Present: None

Meeting convened at 7:03PM

Cowie moved to give Bunker voting rights and Mantegari seconded and the motion passed.

Kaufman moved the December 9, 2015 minutes, Mantegari seconded. Wofchuck amended the minutes to say the "The balance of the 2015 budget (approximately \$200) is encumbered for the Moosewood Ecological contract". The minutes were approved as amended. Bunker, Dudley-Tatman, Mantegari and Schmalzer abstained.

Donald moved the October 26, 2015 minutes, Wofchuck seconded and the minutes were approved.

Scott Bourcier of DuBois & King (D&K) was present on behalf of the Town of Brentwood. D&K has been engaged to design roadway improvements along Prescott Road in Brentwood, NH. As part of this project a NHDES Wetland Application for the improvements associated with the North and South Dudley Brook Tributary crossings along Prescott Road will be filed. D&K has designed precast box bridges to replace the existing undersized 48 inch reinforced concrete pipe (north crossing) and twin 32 inch corrugated metal pipe (south crossing). Both crossings impact Prime wetlands and the installation has been designed to meet the Prime wetland requirements. The total area of wetland impacts is 37,400 square feet. Mantegari moved to authorize the Chair to write a letter on behalf of the commission to the NH Wetlands Bureau stating that upon review the Commission did not object to the plans presented. Cowie seconded and the motion passed.

Wofchuck presented an update on the Outreach Program:

1. Events the commission discussed options for the RCCD presentation on invasive species. Commission would like to complete the hands on removal option. May 14, 2016 has been selected as the date for the hands workshop at Stout Oak Farm. Dudley-Tatman confirm with the library to schedule the prior presentation at the library on April 13, 2016.
2. Newsletter Articles – Wofchuck looking for future articles:
 - a. Feb – Dudley-Tatman to write on 319 grant projects and
 - b. March – Dudley-Tatman to write on Invasive Species and upcoming events.

Wofchuck opened discussions on the draft Land Management Plans distributed prior to the meeting. The commission provided comments and recommendations on the draft Land management Plans. Wofchuck to provide the comments, edits, and recommendations to Moosewood Ecological, LLC for incorporation into the plans. Moosewood Ecological, LLC will present the draft Land Management Plans to the Selectmen after town meeting.

Wofchuck presented bill that need to be paid as follows:

1. \$1,187.41 to the RCCD for the Exeter River annual inspection and repair activities from ARM grant funds for this project in the Conservation Fund. Cowie moved to make payment and Donald seconded, the motion passed.

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2. \$200 for ERLAC 2016 annual dues paid from budget line item. Donald moved to make payment and Cowie seconded, the motion passed.
3. \$333 for NH Conservation Commissions annual dues paid from budget line item. Kaufman moved and Cowie seconded, the motion passed.

At 9:05 PM Cowie moved to adjourn, Mantegari seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Heather Dudley-Tatman