

BRENTWOOD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting of March 19, 2014

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

Selectmen's Rep in attendance: Ken Christiansen

Alternates in attendance: Jeff Donald and Reid Bunker

Meeting convened at 7:04PM.

Cowie moves to give Donald and Bunker voting rights, the motion is seconded by Dudley-Tatman and passed.

The February 12, 2014 minutes were moved by Bunker and seconded by Cowie. The motion passed.

Spring Cleanup Event was discussed. The date is Saturday April 19th from 10:30 to 12:30. E Schmalzer to get more bags and confirm use of church, Dudley-Tatman to publicize, confirm disposal with DPW, and shop for the barbeque.

7:15 Wofchuck opened public hearing. The public hearing was scheduled to discuss expenditures from the Conservation Fund to cover the costs associated with appraisals and other expenses related to pursuing a conservation easement along Route 125, Scrabble Road, and Prescott Road. The Southeast Land Trust did not have the costs available at this time. Cowie moved to continue the public meeting to April 9th. Bunker seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Wofchuck presented and update on the Green Infrastructure Project Grant. The project team will be meeting with the Planning Board on March 20th at 7PM to present their findings. One project will be selected to implement storm water management improvements.

Wofchuck provided a reminder that in 2014 Cowie, Dudley-Tatman, Wofchuck and Bunker are due for renewal with Commission.

Wofchuck asked commission if anyone was interested in being Chair. There were no volunteers. Upon discussion Kaufman moved to appoint Wofchuck as commissioner. Bunker seconded and the motion passed. Jeff Donald volunteered to move from alternate to full member. Motion made to recommend Donald be appointed as a full member by Wofchuck and seconded by Dudley-Tatum. All were in favor.

Randall Davis was present as a visitor and expressed interest in being an alternate. Wofchuck moved to appoint Randall Davis as an alternate. Kaufman seconded and the motion passed. Wofchuck will make the required request to the Selectmen.

Wofchuck identified the town's mosquito spraying program as a topic of concern at the Town Meeting. Dragon Mosquito will be presenting their intended mosquito control program to the Selectmen on April 8th at 6:30. Anyone interested should attend. Wofchuck encouraged those interested to complete additional research and the topic can be discussed at the next meeting.

Wofchuck stated that the Highway department asked for assistance in identifying and obtaining grants for culvert improvement along Prescott Road. Wofchuck will be meeting with the highway department on March 20 to discuss their plans and will then look to see if a relevant grant program is available.

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Wofchuck presented some upcoming workshops:

Farmland Information Night March 28, 2014

Saving Special Places April 5, 2014

NHDES Drinking Water Source Protection April 30, 2014

Coverts program is available

Robin Wright presented that the NH Cooperative Extension has established a Stewardship Network for programs and volunteers to use together.

At 8:07 PM Wofchuck moved to adjourn, Cowie seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Heather Dudley-Tatman