

MADISON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes

January 7, 2016

Regular Meeting

Members Present: Nancy Devine, Ralph Lutjen, Marcia McKenna, Marc Ohlson, Robbin Rancourt – alternate, David Riss – Chair, and Josh Shackford – Selectmen Rep

Members Not Present: Ted Slader–alternate

Others Present: Chris Young – Land Use Administrative Assistant

Meeting Posted: 12/23/2015 at Madison Town Hall, Madison Post Office, and Silver Lake Post Office

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Dr. Riss called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The 12/3/15 minutes were approved as written.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
4. **OLD BUSINESS & CONTINUING PROJECTS:**
 - a) **Goodwin Forest** – Dr. Riss reported that the mowing had been finished and everything looks nice. In parts it even looks like it could be a golf course. Mr. Riss also wrote to Mr. Liljedahl from NRCS to begin the WHIP repayment process.

It seems that Mr. Chick may have worked on the wrong landing for the trail. What he did looks very nice. The Conservation Commission has not received a bill yet for the work, so perhaps it was part of general maintenance. It was decided to ask for an estimate to work on the other side and see what happens.
 - b) **William Barclay Land Donation** – Mr. Young contacted Mr. Barclay and was able to fill him in on the process so far. If Mr. Barclay wanted a tax deduction, he would have to have it appraised and the town could not pay for it. The town would be paying for a title search and also the legal cost of making the deed transfer. Mr. Barclay was going to call around to some real estate agents and see about getting an appraisal. Mr. Young will contact a few title search agencies to get estimates and time frames for when it can be done.
5. **TOWN CONSERVATION LANDS:** Dr. Riss gave a report about the McNair Easement. Everything seemed in order.
6. **NEW BUSINESS:** It is about this time that the Conservation Commission needs to start thinking about speakers for "Old Home Week". Mr. Slader suggested a speaker on coyotes. He had been to a terrific talk and saved the flyer which he passed on for Mr. Young to investigate as a possibility.
7. **SELECTMEN'S REPORT:** Not much to report from the Selectmen.

8. PLANNING BOARD REPORT: The Planning Board heard a preliminary review for a Moose Lodge and also approved a voluntary lot merger.

9. FRIEND'S OF MADISON BOULDER: Nothing

10. ADMINISTRATION & CORRESPONDENCE: The Green Mountain Conservation Group sent a copy of the Ossipee Watershed Management Plan-Phase 1, the 10 Year Water Quality Report, and the 2015 VBAP Report to the Town of Madison.

Dr. Riss handed out copies of the minutes from the August 2006 minutes which were read out loud by the members of the Conservation Commission.

11. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM

The next Regular Meeting is June 4, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Young
Land Use Boards Administrative Assistant
Minutes Approved: February 4, 2016
Corrections: