

Conservation Commission Public Meeting Minutes  
1/24/18

Present: Allison Knab, Bob Keating, Pat Elwell, Joe Lovejoy  
Also, Paul Deschaine, Town Administrator

Called order 7:03

Meeting Minutes

No minutes were available for review.

Mailbox

SELT report was received on Zarnowski property. They did not see anything that would raise any concerns regarding the easement.

Timberland having a service day and application can be submitted if interested.

New Business

Clean-up day 2018

Due to the limited number of CC members at the meeting, additional discussion will be required. The concern is that fewer and fewer number of people are participating and we would like to discuss alternatives for increasing participation. Possibly skipping one year or moving it to October was discussed.

Municipal Updates

Pat and Allison met with Andy Fast, a resident and county forester with UNH Cooperative Extension, to review forested parcels in town that are open space.

The Smyk property Committee will be meeting first week of Feb and will work thru Feb. to give a recommendation to the desirability/undesirability of keeping the parcel. Allison has been appointed to the committee.

The solar project on the Police Dept. is almost done. Some slight adjustments need to be made and the building has to find a date to completely shut down so that it can be connected. The Energy Commission will be putting up a plaque in memory of Caroline Robinson, who worked tirelessly on that project.

Heritage Commission is still working with Mark Perlowski on conserving the old Town Hall. He has agreed not to act on tearing down the building anytime in the near future.

Vicki and Bruno Marbacher sent an email to Mike Houghton complaining that cars are parking on Scamman Rd. The Selectmen will be looking to meet with these residents of Scamman Road about the concerns regarding on-street parking at the access point for the Short easement. This landowner does not feel cars, other than those who live on the road, should be parking on the road. There are no restrictions to parking on the road and the police have already told him that he cannot bother people who park there and cannot put up no parking signs.

#### Old Business

Pat purchased two books on behalf of the CC and gave them to the Library in memory of Caroline Robinson. The two books, The Family Butterfly Book and Raptor!, will be placed in the children's section.

Bob moved, Pat seconded, moving into non-public session for the purpose of land acquisition discussion. Following the non-public session, Bob moved coming out of discussion and sealing the minutes, Joe seconded. Motion passed.

Land use change fund currently has \$179,619.

#### Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday February 14, 7:00pm at the Stratham Municipal Center.

Bob moved, Jo seconded, adjourning meeting. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted, Pat Elwell