

Strafford Conservation Commission
Minutes
April 4, 2011

Present: Liz Evans Harmony Anderson Carolyn Page Dave Perkins Scott A. Young Kerry Omand Irving Johnson

Guests: none

Opening and Introductions

The meeting was opened at 7:10 pm. The minutes were amended and approved by consensus. The two continuing commissioners, Harmony and Dave, and the newly appointed commissioner, Kerry, signed the official documents for the selectmen.

Guest Presentations

DES application none

Public Service of NH representative (did not appear). PSNH is seeking permission to do routine maintenance on the interstate power lines between Sloper Road and Route 202A. It will involve some wetlands crossings to get to the poles involved. They will be replacing two wooden poles with taller steel poles to reduce the sag in the cables. Liz read from the application report they sent to DES. We approved of what they plan to do and how they plan to accomplish it so Liz has an answer for them if they get in touch.

Old Business

IRCR parking lot grant, any news? It was decided to wait to convene the Trails Committee until the grant was received. There has been no word on that as yet.

Moose Plate Grant update Liz found out that this grant money is not distributed until the work has been done. We need to have some organization from Bob Edmonds and JB Cullen to get this accomplished.

Trails Committee: Names of volunteers, contact plans Harmony said that so far she has Phil Auger as Committee Head and the following volunteers: Deb Liskow, Jim Almendinger, Mary Irvin, Joe Cicirelli. Dave Perkins and Carolyn Page added their names to the list and Carolyn said that her neighbor Janet Eckert (daughter of Spencer Smith) wants to be included. Carolyn will call Marc and Donna Spaulding, Jerry Bowman and others who might be interested. They are all invited to an April 30 Trails Workshop sponsored by Bear-Paw on the Kimble property in Deerfield (?). Details will be in the Bear-Paw newsletter. The newsletter will be sent to everyone in Strafford within the next few days. We will add the Trails Committee to our Standing Committees.

New Business

Other - Dave reported that Don Clifford locked the snowmobile gates on Evans Mountain and Pig Lane. He will lock the gate on the power lines when he can get to it.

Carolyn wanted to know if we were doing anything for Earth Day which falls on Good Friday. Harmony said that the folks at Bear-Paw had just discussed that and concluded it was an unfortunate time to do anything with the public. Easter is more of a family holiday.

Harmony reported that Bear-Paw plans to have an "Evans Mountain Celebration" sometime in August or September. Tentative plans were discussed.

Standing Committee Reports

Managed Growth Group – may be meeting again.

Summary/Adjournment

Next meeting date: Monday, May 2, 2011 7:00 pm. Town Hall

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Enz Page