

Strafford Conservation Commission
Minutes
December 3, 2018

Present: Liz Evans Carolyn Page Dave Perkins Scott A. Young Randy Jacunski Kerry Omand
Katrina Amaral

Guests: Mimi Jost Chris Poirier Ben Poirier Will Price Clayton Price

Opening and Introductions

The meeting was opened at 7:05 pm. A motion was made by Randy and seconded by Katrina to accept the November 2018 **minutes**. Approved.

Guest Presentation Two Boy Scouts presented proposals for their Eagle Scout Service Project. Ben Poirier spoke of wanting to replace the Town Forest sign which is rotting and the Commission has spoken of often. He and Scott will finalize the specifics. Clayton Price spoke of wanting to make picnic tables for the Town Forest. After much discussion, the Commission found that a bog bridge at the bottom of the Spencer Smith trail would be a priority. Clayton and Scott will look at the area in question and make a decision. If a bog bridge is decided upon, the Commission can help with supplies. Dave has rebar left from the IRCR bridges.

DES Applications none

Continuing Business

IRCR & Town Forest Both sites have trees down on the trails. Dave and Randy will take care of them the week of December 9-15 depending on the weather.

Evans Mountain Final trail approval has taken a back seat this summer but the application is now being transferred to the proper authorities. Katrina distributed maps of the proposal.

Other Scott spoke of the northern birds we should be seeing at our feeders this winter because of a poor mast season in Canada.

Unhappy news included a brief discussion of the Oak Wilt Alert and the Insect Apocalypse.
Plowing: We'll use the same guidelines as last year; our budget not to exceed \$800.00.

New Business 2019 Budget: We will ask for the same amount as last year including the slush fund for needed repairs for a total of \$2,500.00. Liz believes that unused funds are in a roll over account. She will find out.

Other Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Next Meeting: Monday, January 7 2019 7:00 pm. Town Hall **Site visits:** tree cutting

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Enz Page