

STRAFFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

December 2nd, 2024 MINUTES

PRESENT: Randy Jacunski, Scott Young, Debbie Liskow, Liz Evans, Mimi Jost, Sue Barnes, Kerry Omand

The meeting was called to order by Scott Young at 7:05 pm. Randy made a motion to accept the November 4th, 2024 minutes and Debbie seconded. The motion to accept passed.

DES application: none

GUEST PRESENTATION: none

IRCR:

We have not yet found someone to contract plow the parking area.

STF/Evans/Parker Mts.: Trail extension on the greater Evans/Parker Mt. conservation area discussed after an earlier hike. We need to find out which of easement holders needs to sign off on trail proposal and also need Blue Hills Foundation board approval. Most of the proposed trail is on Blue Hills Foundation land.

Other BUSINESS:

Voted to release \$ 10,000.00 of Conservation Easement funds to Moose Mountains Regional Greenways for the Shillaber Conservation Easement, which should be closing in mid-December. The vote was unanimous. Letter to town treasurer signed.

Voted to release \$ 85,000.00 of conservation Easement funds to bear Paw Regional Greenways for closing on the Coveland Farm (Young/Auerbach) Conservation Easement, which should be closing in early to mid-January. The Vote was unanimous. Letter to Town Treasurer signed

Reviewed our budget status YTD. We started considering our 2025 budget request and decided on few if any changes to last year's budget.

Town Annual report write up due in January, need to mention both conservation easements and make a note about this year's continuing drought.

NATURE NOTES: The water in Bow Lake is very low and the Isinglass River is empty.

Adjourned: 8:20 pm

NEXT MEETING: Monday, January 6th, 7:00 pm Town Hall Site Walk: none

Recorded by,
Scott A. Young