

STRAFFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

January 6th, 2025 MINUTES

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

Guest: Joe Berry/ Berry Surveying and Engineering

The meeting was called to order by Scott Young at 7:04 pm.

Mimi made a motion to accept the December 2nd, 2024 minutes and Randy seconded. The motion to accept passed.

DES application: DES applications are likely to be electronic files going forward.

GUEST PRESENTATION: Fredette Conditional Use Permit/ Berry Surveying. Joe presented a minor subdivision plan off Wild Goose Pond Road. After having the commission's questions answered thoroughly, we decided to submit a letter to the Planning Board stating that we have no objections or concerns about the project.

IRCR:

We have not found anyone to plow the parking area. We will ask for an occasional volunteer thru the Strafford Community Calendar.

STF/Evans/Parker Mts.: We are seeking approval for a trail extension in the greater Evans/Parker Mt area. The Bear Paw Land Commission and Blue Hills board members intend to hike the proposed trail January 14th.

The Kitz's did the annual mowing of the Strafford Town Forest upper field to control invasives.

Other BUSINESS:

Shillaber Conservation Easement has closed!

The Coveland Farm (Young/Auerbach) Conservation Easement is fully funded and ready to close in about a week.

We discussed the utility and funding of a town Natural Resources Inventory.

We reviewed our budget proposal for 2025 and are ready to submit.

Cons Com members requiring renewal this year include Kerry Omand and Mimi Jost.

Reviewed Town Annual report which is due this month. Will pass draft around for editing before the end of the month.

NATURE NOTES: We've had a few rains and the river is flowing. No snowpack.

Adjourned: 8:17 pm

NEXT MEETING: Monday, February 3rd, 7:00 pm Town Hall
extension, 1/14/2025 at 9 am

Site Walk: Evans Mountain trail

Recorded by,
Scott A. Young