

Westmoreland Conservation Commission (unapproved minutes)

December 3, 2015

Present: Selena Gallen, Mary Bradley, Marshall Patmos, April Ferguson, Dick Schmidt,  
John Lukin, Perry Sawyer

Minutes of the October 1, 2015 meeting were approved. There was no meeting in November.

The Commission has received the application from the NH Dept of Transportation for the demolition of the “flood damaged” property on route 12. No action needed and the work will proceed after bids are received.

The NH Dept of Environmental Services has approved continued work on Ferry Brook road along the river.

Dick Schmidt briefly mentioned that Graves gravel pit information and concerns have been brought before the Joint Rivers Commission.

Marshall reported that he purchased 15 copies of “Conserving Your Land, Options for New Hampshire Landowners”. Copies to be available at the town office and the library.

The Commission worked on a budget for 2016. For next year we plan to hold some outreach programs and field tours. Possible topics to include land conservation and management, invasive plants and other natural resource issues. Continued participation with the NH Association of Conservation Commissions, attendance at state training sessions, sponsorship of the roadside cleanup and continued review of wetland applications and other issues will round out 2016 activities. We prepared a budget request of \$800 for 2016 itemized as follows.

NH Association of Conservation Commissions dues	\$266.00
Commission events, materials, mailing, etc.	\$350.00
---Landowner resource workshops, tours	
State Conservation meetings	\$160.00
---NH Annual Land Conservation Conference (\$60/person), Annual Conservation Commission Conference (\$50)	
Miscellaneous resource materials, books, etc	<u>\$ 24.00</u>
Total request	\$800.00

Selena will be out of state for the next four months and requested that she be reappointed as an alternate member of the Commission and Mary Bradley be appointed as a full member. All those in attendance agreed. Marshall will ask the selectmen to make the change.

It was decided to try meeting during the day for this coming winter. Assuming space is available will meet the first Thursday of the month at 10 AM at the Town Hall. The next meeting is scheduled for 10 AM on January 7, 2016.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm

Submitted by Marshall Patmos