

Meeting: Antrim Conservation Commission (ACC), August 22, 2012 at 530 pm at the Town Hall.

Attendees: Peter Beblowski, chairman 2013, Linda Bryer 2015, Keith Wolsiefer 2014, Ron Cheetham 2014

Absent: Rod Zwirner At-Large

Agenda:

1. The June meeting notes were amended and accepted.
2. Jeff Littleton <http://moosewoodecological.com> provided a contract for the initial phase for a Natural Resource Inventory (NRI –ecological assessment) of the Campbell Pond properties. Discussion ensued: Phase 1 is anticipated to cost \$2400. The commission will use money from the Conservation Fund. Timeline: September start – Report provided February 2013 Deliverables: 1 report hard copy- Campbell Pond Ecological Assessment and 1 electronic (CD) copy in pdf format. Peter to contact Jeff and talk with Galen S about the contract. Commission decided to move the project forward.
3. Home & Harvest – We have been contacted and asked if we want/need a table.....Linda involved with Girl Scouts, Ron, Keith and Peter unavailable. Peter to email regrets to Ms Kemp.
4. Campbell Pond access agreement is still in Selectmen's court.
5. Audubon's Phil Brown contacted Peter B regarding a spur trail from Goodhue Hill to Brimstone Corner Road. Rod to contact Jay Cox for formal permission to cross property. Peter B will wait to hear from Rod on this.
6. Antrim Wind Energy (AWE) pre-file testimony filed on August 20 was discussed. During the discussion Linda B moved "Peter Beblowski, chairman of the ACC is the sole spokesman for the ACC before the SEC." 2nd by Ron C. Motion brought to a vote. Aye 3, No 0. (Chair does not vote except as tie breaker)

Linda B moved "Ron Cheetham as vice chairman." 2nd by Keith W. Motion brought to a vote. Aye 3, No 0.

Question 1-24 was discussed. Linda B moved "The Antrim Conservation Commission does not take a position either for or against the Antrim Wind Energy Project." 2nd by Keith W. Motion brought to a vote. Aye 3, No 0.

Question 1-25 was brought up. Keith W moved the response should be the same as 1-24. 2nd by Ron C. Motion brought to a vote. Aye 3, No 0.

Question 1-26 was discussed. Ron C moved "The Antrim Conservation Commission takes the position that any permanent conservation of land in accord with the Antrim Open-Space Conservation Plan and the Implementation Actions in the Antrim Master is desirable and consistent with the Antrim Conservation Commission's mission. 2nd by Linda B. Motion brought to a vote. Aye 3, No 0.

Following a brief discussion of the anticipated schedule of the SEC, Linda B moved "The Antrim Conservation Commission approves of its testimony being delivered via electronic means or any other form approved by the SEC." 2nd by Keith W. Motion brought to a vote. Aye 3, No 0.

7. Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) planning in the box. Initial filing due September 20. Discussion led to Peter filing standard \$25 K for Open Space/ Conservation account. Peter to cite Open Space Conservation Plan and Master Plan.
8. **Harris Center** <http://www.harriscenter.org/Programs/programs.htm>
9. **Monadnock Conservancy:** <http://www.monadnockconservancy.org/index.html>
23rd Annual Meeting August 25, 2012, Walpole Town Hall and Town Green

Wetland Permits: Supplemental Depot Street/ North Bennington Road Permit 2012-0818 in the box.

Hike: Rod to function as liaison with the Rec Dept and their hike series Back Roads & Cellar Holes 2012.
Thanks to Ron & Sue for hosting the paddle & bar-b-que at their house on Franklin Pierce Lake.
Next Meeting: Tentatively scheduled for **Wednesday, September 26, 2012 at 530 pm** in the Town Hall.