

Jaffrey Conservation Commission

Minutes

Meeting Held at Town Hall October 22, 2014

Present: Carolyn Garretson, Chairman, Nancy Beiter, Recorder, Nora Barton Bryant, Frances McBride, Alternate,

Regrets: Elizabeth Webster, Pamela Armstrong, Patricia Weiner, Alternate, Michael George, Bill Graf, Alternate and Tom Rothermel, Select Board Representative,

Guest: Matt Amadon

- I. The meeting convened at 7:00 p.m.
- II. The minutes of the meeting held September 24, 2014, were approved with one amendment
- III. CB reported no changes had occurred in the financial report
- IV. The SCA work done in Children's Woods included the building of a magnificent foot bridge and the renovation of most of the trails. Details of the work were reported by Ashley Saari of the Monadnock Ledger Transcript issue of September 29, 2014
<http://www.ledgertranscript.com/news/townbytown/jaffrey/13709772-95/cutting-to-the-corps#.VCrHZpi30bU.email> The group also broadened the western end of the trail in the Cheshire Pond Conservation Area (CPCA).
- V. The Monadnock Conservancy's Stacey Gambrell will lead a hike through Children's Woods and Carey Park on Saturday morning, November 15. Conservation Commission members and the citizens of Jaffrey are encouraged to attend. The Conservancy will publicize the hike.
- VI. CG reported that further Recreational Trail Program grants may be available. That topic spurred a discussion of the continuing problem of illegal ATV activity in CPCA. CG and TR will talk to the Jaffrey Police and Matt Amadon will research whether a complaint can be filed with New Hampshire Fish and Game.
- VII. The ConComm approved the appointment of Matt Amadon to the Commission. CG will contact the Town Clerk so that his appointment can be put on the Select Board agenda.
- VIII. Discussion of the Grey Goose Conservation site was postponed until next month.
- IX. CG, our representative to the Contoocook and North Branch Local Advisory Committee (CNBRLAC), reported on the continuing difficulty with the water testing equipment that is shared by the 14 member communities of CNBRLAC. The ConComm approved a motion to use its funds to purchase its own water testing equipment so that the waters of the Contoocook can be tested more accurately the three times a year required by the NH Dept of Environmental Services
- X. NBB agreed to explore the possibility of hiring a firm to begin removal of the invasive species which are rapidly spreading through Town properties.

XI. A motion to adjourn was approved at 8:45 p.m. The next meeting is currently scheduled for November 26, 2014 at the Town Hall at 7:00 p.m. but the ConComm approved a change of the date to December 3, 2014 which will serve as a combination of the November and December meetings. CG will file the appropriate notices.