

Lyndeborough Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes
14 Mar 19

In Attendance: Sharon Akers, Lucius Sorrentino, Terry Berna, Greg Kreider

Meeting started at 6:30.

1. Letter supporting current legislation on limiting hunting of coyotes.
Initial approval was done outside meeting, must do formally.
Discussion with public input from Mr. Fred Douglas and Ray Humphries, both opposed to letter. Pros of supporting the bill: Killing alpha female leads to pack dispersing and other females breeding, ie. population increase; bill maintains ability to remove nuisance animals year-round.
Cons: hunting seasons determined by Fish & Game, not legislature; second attempt to pass bill; question whether restricted hunting does limit population increases. Concern that signing letter "Town of Lyndeborough Conservation Commission" implies rest of town (government or population) supports action, which is not the case.
Motion (Sharon, second Terry) to support letter, signing as "Members of Lyndeborough Conservation Commission". Passed.
2. Wetlands
Question from Ray Humphries: Have we updated the list of wetlands (their existence and importance), as called out by the Master Plan?
Recent possible stream encroachment at site on Crooked S Road raised question. Nothing beyond what's recorded in the NRI has been done, but that was written in 2009 and needs an update. Nothing has been added to the Master Plan as far as we know.
3. Treasury
\$14742.50 in bank. About \$5000 needed when cabin clean-up finishes after snow is gone.
4. Town Meeting (warrant article and habitat display)
Discussed presentation of warrant article. Will have wildlife habitat map + stickies + notebook so townspeople can mark wildlife sightings. Will also bring UNH Co-Op Extension brochures for table. Terry will make copies of SPNHF article on town forests for handing out.
5. Roadside Cleanup
Motion (Sharon, second Greg) to coordinate clean-up day with Wilton on 5 May. All in favor.
Long-term goal is still to have this done year round. Nothing has been done to apply for the state roadside cleanup program (preferably along Center Road). Terry will follow up with application.
6. ROST Meeting
Featured guest was Hillsborough County forester. There is a day-long introduction to the licensing needed to apply herbicides (for invasive species control, for example). No interest from our group. Was asked what can be done about aggressive logging. The County Forester has no enforcement ability; if asked by landowner he can come on property,

review work that's been done, and suggest improvements. NH does have Forest Rangers that can intervene.

NHACC update listed three bills they're monitoring. Two are for wetlands, the third was the coyote hunting legislation.

7. Trail Event

There might be possible parking for a trail running event on the Grossman property. OK for Sharon to approach landowners to investigate.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15.