

LGB Minutes  
July 12, 1:00

Attendees: Rob Nadler, Harry Richardson, Josephine Howland, Linda Comeau, Gregg Caporossi

Absent: Jack Rose, Cort Hanson

Call to order: 12:57

Meeting with Linda Comeau of Upper Saco Valley Land Trust.

Discussion What we, the town, see as the future use for the land, including forestry, recreational, agricultural, aquaculture, possibly wind power, geothermal. Harry: What are we giving up? Linda: Development rights, the easement rights are for perpetuity. Gregg stated that the transfer of ownership to the town and then the easement rights to the holder would all happen at the closing. Linda stated that we seem to have a lot of common goals, such as forestry agricultural recreation. Harry: could we the town, lease the land? Linda replied that could be done, the farmer would need to follow the restrictions of the easement

Bald Hill has some rare and endangered species that may restrict the use of the land. Would we be able to do wind power: It could be written as wind power could be done pending studies and with in limits agreed to protecting the rare and endangered species.

Town Center: that parcel will be excluded from the easement.

Linda asked about Conway's interest, or lack of interest in protecting their part of the property.

Harry mentioned that it would be very nice to have a greenhouse run by wind power and geothermal, possibly as a learning facility.

Harry asked about our financial contribution: Linda: A donation to our stewardship fund. The amount depends on individual property. Typically it doesn't exceed \$5000, one easement did run 30,000.

Next steps: Linda will present to her board tonight and will get back to us. It may be put off until the land meeting next Monday. Gregg gave Linda a rundown of the timeline of the sale. Linda left at 2:00.

LCHIP and OSI grant application: Gregg would like a copy of the timber cruise. Harry will produce new photos by the end of July. Harry wants to get a photo of the model airplanes flying with a train in the background. He will also get a photo of the placard describing the use as a training airport for WWII.

There might be a conflict of interest on the LCHIP applications, because USVLT is also applying for a grant with the town of Eaton

Adjourn 2:12

Next meeting July 26, 5:00.