

MEETING MINUTES

ALBANY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Tuesday, May 1st , 5:30 pm

Members present: Rob Nadler, Jack Rose Dick VanDyne, Cort Hansen, Josephine Howland, Steve Knox Alternate, Public: Leah Valladares.

Rob called the meeting to orders at 5:35pm.

Jack moved to accept the minutes of both the 4/3 and 4/21 meetings. Rob seconded the motion, vote was taken and the minutes approved 5-0.

Rob said that he had received a call from the forester Don Johnson of FLI and he had informed him that the loggers would suspend cutting operations prior to the TPL reception on May 5th so as not to interfere with the celebration.

Rob informed the board about his meeting with the Upper Saco Valley Land Trust the previous week regarding planning for their meeting on the forest property planned for 5/12 and he and Cort's meeting with USFS District Ranger Mike Martin on the same day. The USFS had offered assistance with trail planning, etc.

Rob distributed a letter from the NH Association of Conservation Commissions (NHACC) and explained some of the information available from Albany's membership in the Association. He pointed out how to register on the NHACC web site and suggested the Commission would gain useful information from the web site.

Rob said that the Commission should get out to the Forest site and establish the boundaries of the town center site in order that the logging may do preliminary work for the village green and parking area thus saving some site development costs.

Steve said that the Town had received a bill from TPL for outstanding costs on the land purchase. Discussion involved Don's Johnson's role in the payment process from the timber harvesting operation. Steve suggested that the Commission obtain from Don, copies of bills of lading for delivered mill loads of timber from the operation. Rob said he would follow-up with Don regarding this.

Rob suggested we contact parties interested in field mowing the property each year. Jack said that he would call Bayard Kennett and find out who he might suggest.

Steve said that he would follow-up with Colleen McCormack regarding community gardening planning.

Discussion followed regarding the summer town picnic site. Cort suggested that we would have to start mowing and maintaining the field area that would be used almost immediately.

Rob covered the list of known speakers at the TPL reception on Saturday the 5th. The next meeting was scheduled for June 5th and 5:30 pm.

A motion was made to adjourn and the meeting ended at 6:35 pm.

Cort Hansen, Board Secretary.

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