MEETING MINUTES ALBANY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Tuesday, January 7th, 2020. 6:00 pm

Members present: Cathy Ryan, Cort Hansen, Sean Wadsworth Mike Steward and Kevin Tilton. Absent: Paul Brown – Alternate.

Cathy called the meeting to order at 6:26 pm.

Under new business Cathy began with the discussion to approve the minutes for the 12/3/19 meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mike and with a second from Kevin the minutes for the 12/3/19 meeting were approved 5-0.

Cort discussed the recent news that he had received from Don Johnson of Forest Land Improvement about the pending sale of his business. FLI has done the consulting work and timber management plan for the Town Forest and had supervised the 2011 timber harvest. Don has told Cort that he was very pleased to see that the white pine regeneration following the 2011 harvest has been very successful. He suggested that the Commission look toward some timber stand improvement in order to maintain the continued growth of the white pine. A discussion followed about the cost of TSI work, if there were funds available for this type work and whether the members could contribute volunteer time to this project.

Cort said that Kathy Golding had recently forwarded a copy of a letter received by the Town from the USVLT regarding their annual review of their conservation easement. No problems were noted and Cort said he would forward copies to members.

No public comments were made.

The the next scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, February 4th 2020.

With no further business to address and with no public comments a motion to adjourn was made and with a second the vote was 5-0, and the meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Cort Hansen, Conservation Commission Secretary.