

**MINUTES OF MEETING
CONWAY CONSERVATION COMMISSION
January 14, 2015**

The January meeting of the Conway Conservation Commission convened at 6:30 p.m. at the Whitaker Homesite in North Conway, NH. Members present were: Rob Adair, Chair; Larry Huemmler, Vice Chair; and Carol Lyman, Treasurer. There not being a quorum the Commission held an informal discussion.

Approval of Minutes 11/12/14: There not being a quorum, the minutes of 11/12/14 were not addressed.

Reports & Other Business

Whitaker Woods/MWV Ski Touring – Fat Bike Policy: Steve Vosburg; Meg Skidmore; and Pat Furling were in attendance. Mr. Vosburg stated that bikers must have a trail pass. Mr. Vosburg stated this is for fat bikes only and only on groomed trails and when the conditions allow which will be indicated on the daily report; regular mountain bikes are not allowed. Ms. Lyman asked if it will be on the radio or posted on days that fat bikes are not allowed. Mr. Adair stated he is not sure about the radio, but will be on the website. Mr. Adair stated that they are allowed on the new dog loop anytime. Mr. Huemmler asked if they would ruin the nicely groomed trails. Mr. Vosburg stated the only time they can cause damage is if it is above freezing or if there is new snow and then those are not ideal conditions to be riding anyway.

Ms. Skidmore asked if there will be any signage. Mr. Adair stated that is a good question. Ms. Lyman asked what the etiquette is. Mr. Adair stated bikers yield to everyone. Ms. Lyman asked if there is a collision, are we responsible. Mr. Adair stated he did not think so. Ms. Skidmore stated there could be a handout when they purchase the passes. Mr. Furling stated they could come up with one. There was no opposition from the Commission.

Don Johnson – FLI: Mr. Johnson stated he has been keeping tabs on the harvesting over on the Marshall lots on the West Side Road; making sure terms and conditions are being met. Mr. Johnson stated the real challenge has been to make sure we don't fly by the \$225,000 goal and cutting more of the acreage than was planned for. Mr. Johnson stated there have been over 400 loads; and actual payment to the Marshall's is \$177,600. Mr. Johnson stated by his estimation we are at approximately \$224,935. Mr. Adair stated that we don't want to be short; and can recoup some of the closing costs if it goes over. Mr. Johnson stated that he will speak with the logging company tomorrow and be in touch with Mr. Adair.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be February 11, 2015.

Adjourn: There being no further business; **the informal discussion ended at 7:07 p.m.**

**Respectfully Submitted,
Holly L. Meserve, Acting Recording Secretary**