

**CONWAY CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
May 11, 2016**

The May monthly meeting of the Conway Conservation Commission convened at 6:30 P.M. at the Whitaker Home Site Meeting House in North Conway.

Present: Chairman Rob Adair, Vice Chairman Larry Huemmler, Dan Lucy, Linda Kearney, Karla Allen, Pat Ferland, Alternate, Selectmen Representative Dave Weathers, Theresa Gallagher, Recording Secretary

Absent: Carol Lyman, Treasurer; Nat Lucy, Alternate

1. Public Comment: None.
2. **Approval of the Minutes 4/13/2016. Linda Kearney made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2016 CCC meeting as written; seconded by Karla Allen. Chairperson Rob Adair asked for any discussion; there was none. Chairman Rob Adair called for a vote to accept the minutes as written. Motion passed. (6-0) 1 abstaining, Dave Weathers was not present at the meeting.**

3. Trail Committee Reports:

Rob Adair reviewed the work being done on the Marshall Conservation Area. Don Johnson started work on the rec trail last week and his goal is to get the first whole segment done. Rob commented that they are doing a great job.

A big hemlock tree fell near the parking lot by the power lines. Don Johnson will remove the tree. There are some power line poles left in the area, and a decision should be made in the future as to what to do with them.

The Rec Path Committee is applying for a Recreational Trails Program Grant for Federal funds; the deadline is June 3rd. The money will be awarded this Fall for construction of recreation trails that will continue into the Fall of 2017. The money will be used for resurfacing the trails and relocating the power lines. The only action needed by this Committee is a letter of support. The goal is to have the work done without asking the Town for any money. The Federal funds will provide an 80% match in reimbursements, and the other 20% will come from In-Kind labor. The Rec Path Committee has an anonymous donor who said he would help fund the project, if needed, with his revolving loan fund. Rob Adair pointed out the work to be done on the map.

Chairperson Rob Adair asked for a motion to have the Committee write a letter of support for the Rec Path Committee grant request for work to be done on the trails; Karla Allen made the motion to have the Committee write a letter of support; seconded by Pat Ferland. Chairperson Rob Adair asked for any further discussion; there was

none. Chairman Rob Adair called for a vote to write the letter of support. Motion passed unanimously. (7-0)

4. Selectmen's Report: Dave Weathers reported that there are no applications for wetland permits.
5. Round Table Discussion

Larry Huemmler attended the Upper Saco Valley Land Trust annual meeting and learned that Wink Lees from The Nature Conservancy has resigned.

Linda Kearney reported that on East Conway Road there is some work being done near the Kennett land fill. Discussion included information on propane tanks that will be placed on the property.

Karla Allen announced that Hidden Valley Scout Camp will be giving out a Tree Farm Award on September 17th at the camp in Gilmanton Iron Works. There will be a lot of activities this year for the kids.

Plans for a summer party for the Conservation Committee are being made for some time in August.

Next Meeting – The next meeting will be June 8, 2016 at 6:30 at the Whitaker Home Site Meeting House in North Conway.

Adjourn: Linda Kearny made a motion to adjourn at 6:55 P.M.; seconded by Larry Huemmler. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa Ann Gallagher

Recording Secretary