



Town of Candia
Conservation Commission
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August 18, 2026 Meeting Minutes- Unapproved

Chair Judi called the meeting to order at 7:05pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Judi Lindsey Chair, Carol Howe, Ron Laverdure, Ryan Young, Admin. Assist. Janet Lewis

Absent: Leon Austin, Tom DiMaggio, Gary Bashline

Regular Business:

1. Minutes of June meeting –Ron made a motion to accept the minutes of the meeting. Carol seconded. Ryan abstained. All in agreement. Motion passed.
2. Wetland Permit Applications – nothing at present
3. Land Use/Wetlands/Enforcement Issues – The Lamprey River Advisory Council correspondence to the State of NH Dept. Division of Pesticide Control regarding pesticide application within the rights-of-way to control invasive species and poison ivy along quarter mile corridors of 6 rivers in 14 towns. Minimal spot treatment was suggested and none to be used on the Piscassic River in Newfields and Newmarket. This is a source of drinking water.
4. Correspondence –from the Rockingham Conservation District regarding the Sanborn Conservation Easement yearly monitoring. One boundary marker missing. No major issues were found.
5. Budget Update/ Increase & Approvals – Judi signed Janet's time sheet for submittal. Ryan presented next year's budget. There are no major changes, there will be a COLA to be determined and the education budget of \$875.00 reduced to \$800.00. At the end of the year, any money left over is transferred to the Conservation Fund. Professional memberships-NHCC and Bear-Paw dues are \$260. and \$100. respectively.

6. Conservation Easements/Water Resources –nothing to report
7. Forest Management – Ron reported that algae on the bridge at the D. Lewis Forest is a dangerous situation, especially with the two ramps on either end. He and Jim Franklin procured rubber mats to put on the ramps and had enough for one ramp. Jim is going to donate some more rubber mats. The top of the bridge still needs to be addressed. Jim is working on the survey of the D. Lewis Town Forest. On the Flint Road Town Forest, Corbyn and his team are marking the perimeter and working on the trails. The blue trail will be moved away from the boundary. Ron brought up the issue with Mr. Socha ordering Mr. Frazier off his land. Although he was only fishing on the shore of the Town-owned land. Ron suggested having the town attorney provide any rules in a situation like this. Judi will bring it to the Selectmen and the town lawyer for advice.

Old Business:

1. GIS mapping – Ron reported the Board of Selectmen are getting the town maps aligned. (Geographic Information System)
2. Fund Grant applications – nothing to report.
3. Calendars Update –Raffle tickets are for sale for the carved bear raffle. More will be sold at Old Home Day on Aug. 22. Chrystina Moran is working on sponsorship forms as well as sign-ups for the table at OHD. We will also need to ask businesses to advertise on the calendars. She said she could set up the QR code and Venmo transactions. She would need the routing number and the account number to do those. Ryan will find those from Tamera. Also, having a donation jar at the table that Janet will provide.

Other Business:

1. Old Home Day- Is on August 22rd at Moore Park 11-2. Leon has donated for a carved bear for the raffle, with the proceeds for Barry Conservation Camp.
2. Barry Camp update – the camper from this summer will be coming to tell us about their experience at Barry Conservation Camp.
3. Scheduled hikes/trail work – in the fall

Motion made to adjourn by Carol. Seconded by Ron. All in agreement. Motion passed. Meeting closed at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Janet Lewis, Admin. Assist.