

Fracesttown Conservation Commission  
Fracesttown, NH  
Approved Minutes

June 4, 2018

Members Present: St Jean, Avery, Haubrich, Sanderson, Hardwick, Holmes, Shuffleton, Heath, Marshall

Others in Attendance: Greg Neilley

Meeting Came to Order 7:03PM

**Minutes-** Heath made a motion to accept the minutes of May 7,2018 as amended. Marshall 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in Favor. Minutes approved as amended.

**New Business-**

Greg Neilley came to speak on behalf of FLT. He asked if Fr ConCom would partner with FLT on an agricultural easement of 40 acres located on 2<sup>nd</sup> NH Tpk South currently owned by Bobby Abbott. (M3L53, M3L55) The plan is to keep it as agricultural/forestry. They will be applying for an LCHIP grant which is due in 2 weeks. He asked if Fr ConCom would hold the executory interest on this easement. About 20 acres are currently used as pasture, 30 of the 40 acres consist of prime soils or soils of agricultural importance. This will be an easement purchase. FLT already has a grant from the US Agricultural Program which will fund 50% of the purchase price. At this time, FLT is not asking us for funds, but, we discussed ConCom possibly helping with some funding if FLT found they needed more funds as they proceed with this project. Heath made a motion that Fracesttown Conservation Commission accept executory interest in the Bobby Abbott conservation easement with FLT holding primary interest. If FLT finds they need more funds as they proceed with this project, they should come back to discuss with the Fr ConCom board. Crooker 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.

ZBA applications/ site walk June 14-Hardwick reminded the board of the site walk on June 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM starting at 327 Russell Station Rd, then to Momenee property at 323 Todd Rd.

2018-2019 Short Term Action Plan/CC priorities- review Kelly's list- The board discussed Kelly's list briefly. St Jean stated he had in mind that we would review each property, identify their unique characteristics and best uses so we can have an inventory. Hardwick explained that all the properties have stewardship management programs which list their individual purposes. Hardwick gave the board an overview of the Conservation Land in town on the map.

Russell Foundation- This foundation started working with us in 2004 on the Headwaters campaign project. This tied into 2010 acres by 2010 project. Gordon Russell contributed approximately \$640,000 to our conservation projects in Frankestown- \$240,000 just to the Dinsmore project. He is retiring and we would like to recognize him at the FLT meeting and possibly name a trail after him- maybe name the main trail in Dinsmore the 'Russell Trail'.

Loon partnership project-Avery went up to the Loon center and has been gathering information.

Trail Work-We will plan on doing trail work on June 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM for anyone available. This will be at the Quarry Loop. We might do a trail work day in July also.

Crooker motion to adjourn. Shuffleton 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Meeting adjourned 9:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Kris Holmes