

**Town of Bennington
Conservation Commission
Minutes of the Meeting – February 21, 2013**

Conservation Commission Members Present: John Baybutt, Jon Manley, Joe MacGregor, and Valerie Germain

Agenda

- 1. Approve Minutes**
- 2. Perambulation**
- 3. Membership**
- 4. Correspondence**

1. Approve January Minutes – Approved as written

2. Perambulation – Ben Haubrich, Frankestown Selectmen's appointee for perambulations, emailed the letter from the State of New Hampshire: Division of Archives and Record Management to the Bennington Conservation Commission. The letter was in acknowledgement of receipt of the perambulation documents sent to the state by Ben.

Members present also thought it would be a good idea to have the report printed on the Town Web Site.

Action Item: Valerie will send the letter via email to the Town Hall to print and put in Conservation Commission File.

Members discussed that the Conservation Commission had not filed a formal report to the State after walking the Antrim-Bennington town line last year. Members discussed walking the Antrim line again, marking it, and typing a report similar to the one Ben sent the state. A tentative walk date was set for the end of March; we will firm this up at the March meeting.

Action Item: Contact Dennis to inquire whether he can give us the GPS coordinates and device that he used when the Antrim perambulation was completed.

3. Membership - Conservation Commission members reached out to non-active members about their desire to continue on as Commission members. Both Letitia Rice and Josh Stewart expressed that they are no longer able to serve on the Commission as regular members. They are both interested in helping out for special events such as Earth Day Clean-up and the River Clean-up.

Action Item: Members will reach out to Bennington residents to see if we can find potential members.

John Baybutt expressed that he wanted to resign as chairman. The motion was moved, seconded, and approved.

A motion was made to appoint Valerie Germain as chairperson, which was seconded and approved.

The members discussed that the term of a chairman should be for one year. Each year following Town Meeting, nominations would be made with an election of chair.

Action Item: Jon Manley will locate Guidelines for Conservation Commissions for the new chairperson (Check with DES) or the State Conservation Commission – Municipal County

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Next meeting will be Thursday, March 21, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. at the VFW

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Germain
Conservation Commission