

Minutes of the Thetford Conservation Commission – 12 November 2014 at 7:15 PM

Present: Li Shen, Skip Sturman, Bob Pulaski, Jason Berard, Libby Chapin, Ann Lavanway, Jeff Smith, Connie Snyder

Guest: Jeannie McIntyre – Upper Valley Land Trust

1. The minutes from 22 October 2014 were approved as amended.
2. Jeannie gave an update on the Denison property gift to UVLT (the Ely Mountain Project). The Thetford DRB approved the subdivision. She reviewed costs for the legal fees, survey and management fund. Covering these costs will require a \$30,000 fund raising effort. The project transactions will need to be completed by the end of this calendar year.
3. The Commission approved spending \$5,000 from the Conservation Fund for the Ely Mountain Project.
4. Libby and Skip reported on the Squam Lake event on November 9<sup>th</sup>. The attendance was around 99 people including approximately 40 children.
5. Libby summarized the costs associated with the educational events.
6. Bob will track budget items starting in 2015.
7. The Commission did not request an increase in the budget for 2015.
8. LI reported on the logging on the Hughes Forest. The town has received ~\$1,200 to date from the timber harvest.
9. Jason has been in contact with members of the Select Board about the driveway that was constructed on conserved town property.
10. Six bluebird boxes were installed at PMNA by Stuart Blood and Li.
11. Jason, Bob and Frank Snyder will get together to cut the pines that are shading the alder at PMNA.
12. Commission members discussed the current state of the Upper Valley Gun Club lease renewal request that is before the Select Board.

Meeting adjourned at 9:23PM.

Reminder that Commission members should let Li know ahead of time if they cannot attend the next Conservation Commission meeting, so that she may plan accordingly.

Our next meeting is 10 December 2014.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ann Lavanway