

MONMOUTH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes– November 18, 2014

Meeting began at 7:00pm on November 18, 2014 at the Monmouth Municipal Office.

Present were Commissioners Herb Whittier, Randy Schiller, Cindy Parker, Bob Mulliken. Larry Buggia arrived at 7:15pm.

Minutes: Cindy read the meeting minutes from September and October. Bob made a motion to accept the minutes (with a few adjustments/typos fixed); Larry seconded. All agreed.

Appointments: Term limits were recapped. Herb's 1-year term was renewed at the November 12 Selectmen's meeting. After these initial terms, all terms are revolving 3-year terms. Cindy's and Bob's 2-year terms will expire in October of 2015, then 3-year. Randy's will expire in 2016, continuing as 3-year. Larry is serving out Doug Beck's 3-year term, also to expire in 2016, then also 3-year.

TERMS

	2013	2014	Oct 2015	Oct 2016	Oct 2017	Oct 2018	Oct 2019
Bob	begin		Exp/Renew			Exp/Renew	
Cindy	begin		Exp/Renew			Exp/Renew	
Herb	begin	Exp/Renew			Exp/Renew		
Larry	begin(DB)			Exp/Renew			Exp/Renew
Randy	begin			Exp/Renew			Exp/Renew

It was agreed to reimburse Cindy for the two expenses of photocopying 11x17 town maps (\$9.51) and 11x17 sheet protectors (\$34.20). Herb made a motion to approve a purchase order for \$43.71, payable to Cindy Parker. Seconded by Larry. All approved.

It was agreed Cindy will fetch the key to the building for our meetings when Herb is away in Florida.

Our annual membership in the Maine Association of Conservation Commissions (MEACC) became effective in August. Randy will check in with them and see how we can benefit from our membership.

The Coal Shed lot acquisition was approved by a vast majority on the Nov 4th vote. Randy said Curtis Lunt will send an acknowledgement letter to Lloyd McCabe after the property deed is received by the town. Larry said Lloyd McCabe is hoping to get the property surveyed first, this week or next, before handing the deed to the town.

There are still a lot of pieces to come together for the Project Canopy deadline in December. Cindy is feeling the pressure. Lloyd McCabe would like the Coal Shed lot be included in the tree inventory as he has some tree concerns. Larry will put together a plan and meet with Cindy this weekend. She requests that the CC have a Project-canopy-only CC meeting soon to figure how to help. We agreed we will meet Tuesday, December 2 at 7pm.

Randy will speak with Paul Roupp about how much a colored, indexed map would cost. Randy and Cindy have indexed the tax exempt properties in town; there is a lot more indexing to be done, including "an index of open space" which is in our mandate from the town Planning Board.

Bob is still exploring a possible bike/pedestrian committee. Hallowell has a bike/ped group. The question of how to work together with the snowmobile groups to use their trails in the summer. Bob is also exploring a public garden space idea; how to choose where to have it, work with the Monmouth Garden Club, and who would benefit from such a garden space.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

Next meeting was scheduled for Dec 2 at 7pm.

Recorded by Cindy Parker, Secretary