

MINUTES OF THE WEBSTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

JANUARY 10, 2017

Present: MJ MacGowan, Chris Schadler, Bob Quinn (Alternate), Sally Embley, and Chris Schadler.

1. **Appoint Secretary-** Bob Quinn was appointed Secretary and accepted as a voting member for tonight. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.
2. **Minutes-** The December 2016 minutes were accepted with one typographical correction.
3. **Correspondence** – The Commission reviewed:
New Projects: A Complete Forestry Notification from DES for Roger and Sara Becker was received. No action necessary.
A letter was received from SPNHF regarding the Richard George easement. No action necessary.
4. **Old business-** Chris Schadler gave an update from a meeting regarding the Clothespin Bridge Road bridge project. She shared the general news and showed a preliminary map which includes the impact on some nearby wetlands. The plans call for the bridge to be widened. This is just the beginning of this project.
5. **Easement monitoring forms-** There was a discussion about the procedures for how we handle easement monitoring files. Currently we keep paper files and the consensus was to digitize the forms/files from now on, details still TBD.
6. **Event-** The Tree Identification Workshop is still on for Saturday, 21 January 2017 from 9 AM to 12 Noon starting at the town hall. Chris and others will scope out some good locations with a variety of trees before the event.
7. **New business-** Nancy Dobe from the Webster Elementary School asked for Betsy Janeway (or some other WCC representative) to speak to her 5th Grade class about water/watersheds again this year. Bob Quinn offered to coordinate and lead an informal salamander walk/watch on the first “warm” rainy night in April. This will be just for the WCC in 2017 but with the idea of making it public in 2018. We will also then discuss salamander and frog conservation needs and related wetland issues.
8. **Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.**

Minutes respectively submitted by Bob Quinn.