

# CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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## Minutes for January 24, 2019

Conservation Commission members present: William Preston, Richard Mellor, Al Lefebvre, Fred Rogers, Joseph Desruisseaux

Alternates in attendance: Paul McPhie, Doreen Richards, Deni Dickler

Conservation Corps: Laurel Cameron

Meeting convened at 7:00 pm

### OLD BUSINESS:

- Recreation Committee –Richards reported that the Recreation Committee discussed play scape plans with Ethan King of Natural Playgrounds Inc. of Concord. He prepared a series of questions about a potential play scape which are primarily for the Recreation Committee.
- Dell donations – Richards. Nothing new to report
- Lead Fishing Tackle collection box update – Lefebvre reported he met with Public Works Director Mike Cloutier who indicated a location at the Recycling Center for the collection box. Lefebvre will bring a box to Cloutier who will have it installed.
- Insignia update – Laurel Cameron of the Conservation Corps presented her final colorful insignia design and some preliminary costs. McPhie will obtain set-up costs and costs for t-shirts, hats, etc.
- Annett State Forest trails – Not discussed
- 2019 Commission Projects – Lefebvre reviewed the current list of 2019 projects with an eye toward assigning some to Conservation Corps members during upcoming meetings on January 26 at 11:00 am and 28 at 7:00 pm at the Town Office) and projects.

### NEW BUSINESS:

- NH Coverts Project. Michael George of the Jaffrey Conservation Commission explained the project run by UNH Extension Service to amplify its work to preserve wildlife. Its goal is to train volunteers in wildlife protection/preservation. Rindge and Fitzwilliam have not attended in the past and the project would like to encourage someone from Rindge (not necessarily on the Commission) to attend the three day program. The program costs \$50.00 and takes place at the Harris Center in Greenfield. This year's program will take place on May 15-18 and interested people need to apply by March 1. More information may be obtained by "Googling" NH Coverts Program.
- Lefebvre reported that Wildlife Habitat Presentation, "An Introduction to Improving Wildlife Habitat on Your Land", Saturday, March 23 at 10 am will take place at the Recreation Center (set-up 9:00 – 10:00) – Matt Tarr of UNH Cooperative Extension Service will come to Rindge for the presentation. The presentation will be announced in early March in the newspaper and elsewhere (i.e. emails to Conservation Corps and Friends of Rindge Conservation).

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:** for January 14, 2019 Richards motioned and Rogers seconded to approve the Public & Non-Public minutes of January 14, 2019. All approved with Desruisseaux abstaining.

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION EMAILS -** None

**CORRESPONDENCE –** None

**OFFICIAL NOTICES –** NH DES File No 2019-00131, Forest Designs for Haskell Property at Map 37 Lot 6, Mountain Rd. This notice was reviewed by Preston with the Commission.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:** None

**NEXT MEETING:** February 11, 2019

Lefebvre motioned and Desruisseaux seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

Future Commission meetings: Feb 28, Mar 11 & 28, April 8 & 25, May 13 & 23, June 10 & 27, July 8 & 25, Aug 12 & 22, Sept 9 & 26, Oct 14 (Columbus Day) & 24, Nov 11 (Veterans' Day), Dec 9.

*Minutes recorded by Al Lefebvre.*