

# 04/12/2017 Conservation Commission Minutes

## Attendees

Angela Ficco  
Sarah McGraw  
Scott Orzechowski  
Miechelle Poulin  
Jeremy Rhodes  
Dale Smith-Kenyon

## City Staff/Others Present

Shanna Saunders, Planning Director

## Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM by Scott Orzechowski

### 1) Old Business

- No Old Business to Discuss

### 2) New Business

- Andrew Fast of UNH Cooperative Extension visited to discuss the forest survey. Aim is to identify parcels of forest land under city control and management. Shanna has drawn up a list of identified parcels. Andrew presented the materials used in inventorying forest areas. Request is to provide information as available for the parcels under management.
- Southeast Land Trust Membership: Membership is up for renewal. Benefits would include trust holder for conservation land, including but not limited to Sunningdale site. After discussion, Jeremy moves that we release \$500 to renew membership, seconded by Dale. Motion carries.
- Middle School Planting at Mast Point: The class intends to plant outside of the river area, using native species, to control erosion. Shanna has spoken with the teacher involved and the work should be beneficial. Numerous other projects related to environmental science module are intended as well; no negative and multiple positive impacts are expected.
- SRPC Regional Trails: Commission listed trails in the area (Willand Pond, Mast Pt, middle school) to direct SRPC team to. No action needed beyond pointing SRPC staff towards trails.
- Sunningdale Easement: Areas of damage discussed. Mr. Falzone to place boulders to block access as discussed 3/29 workshop session.
- Sustainability committee report: Multiple efforts underway; highlighted are community garden, rain barrel program, improvement of hazardous waste collection day. More membership requested.
- Buffer Ordinance Rewrite: Ordinance walked through; changes proposed. Shanna will enter and discuss with Dana Hilliard to determine when this will go before council. Attendance from members and others friendly to proposed will be helpful when raised. Shanna to update Commission as more is determined.
- Treasurer's report: We have \$91941.87 in balance at this time, with inflow expected from land coming out of current use shortly.
- Note that Elections are overdue.

Jeremy Rhodes moves to adjourn, Dale Smith-Kenyon seconds, carries. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM

Respectfully submitted, Jeremy Rhodes (Secretary)