

Fremont Conservation Commission
Fremont Town Hall
Fremont, NH

Present: Chair Leanne Miner; Vice-Chair Bill Knee, Member Rich Cooper, and Selectmen's Clerk Kathy Clement.

- A. CALL TO ORDER: Ms. Miner called the meeting to order at 6:38 pm.
- B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Mr. Knee made a motion to approve the minutes of November 4, 2019 as amended. Ms. Miner seconded and the vote was 3-0.**
- C. REPORT OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMITTEES – Member Business
 - 1. Administration – There was a brief discussion about member expirations, Ms. Crane & Mr. Cooper expire in 2020. Ms. Miner & Mr. Knee expire 2021 and Ms. deBeer expires 2022. There are positions open on all boards.
 - 2. Ms. Miner reviewed the budget spent to date currently \$3,135.00 through November 2019. There was brief discussion regarding signs and posts that may be ordered within the present budget.
 - 3. Calendar of Events and Announcements
 - a. NRI Meeting - January 22, 2019 at 2:00 pm
- D. CONSERVATION
 - 1. 004-007 Gould Property - Ms. Miner updated the committee that she had limited replies for appraisals, she will be moving forward with this project.
- E. REPORT FROM OPEN SPACE
 - 1. SELT Agenda – Ms. Miner will forward SELT contact information to Mr. Knee to set a date to discuss trail maintenance and development with Fremont Conservation Commission and Open Space Committee.
- F. NEW BUSINESS - None
- G. ONGOING BUSINESS
 - 1. NRI – January 22, 2-4 Kick off meeting. Draft mapping and Recommended Actions/Goals will be provided in advance this meeting for Commission comment.
 - 2. Oak Ridge Forest Management Plan –Logging proposal in Oak Ridge North winter of 2020 – Mr. Knee presented the committee with a report from the walk he and Mr. Cooper had with Forester Moreno. There was discussion about improving the access to the Oak Ridge North Town Forest on Tavern Road, but there are many questions that will need to be researched and answered before decisions can be made including determination of Town process for changing the status of a Class VI road to a recreational trail, wetland permitting requirements, and cost.

It was also mentioned that wooly adelgid was found on some Hemlock trees in Oak Ridge North along with a brown scale insect. The combination of these insects kills the Hemlock trees. Also, invasive plants were found along Tavern Road need to be removed.

3. Marking town - Request for Proposal for surveyors. Ms. Miner will have this done in the 1st quarter next year.
4. Cooperage Forest property –Requesting SELT add easement monitoring to this property. This will be addressed with NRI updates.
5. There was mention of the property on South Road potentially having an easement placed on it.

H. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

DES Public Hearing notice on wetlands permit

Notice from DES of Notice of Approval from DES to Galloway for the road widening stating they are now waiting for Army Corp. to respond within 30 days to move this forward.

Mr. Howland email regarding Open Space report.

I. NEXT MEETING

The next regular monthly meeting will be on January 6, 2019 at 6:30 pm.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Miner made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm. Mr. Cooper seconded, and the vote was unanimous 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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