

Kensington Conservation Commission

April 7, 2015

Members Present: Sydnee Goodard, Bob Gustafson, Joan Skewes

Call to Order: 7: 30 pm

1. January minutes accepted with typographical errors corrected.
2. NHACC dues out of operating budget in the amount of \$270.00 approved by members. NHACC annual survey completed by members.
3. Great Brook haying agreement has been signed, term of the agreement is 5 years.
4. Syd to draft DES reporting form for next meeting.
5. Highland Farm Trust balance is \$12,327.37 as of 2/4/15. Bodwells have paid for haying. Need to check on whether half the funds from Bodwell have gone to SPNHF as stipulated in agreement.
6. Kimball Farm Tree Harvest
Syd read letter from FORECO dated January 19, 2015. Syd contacted Rockingham County Conservation District regarding Forest Management Plan. Since land is being converted to agricultural, forest management plan is not necessary. Conservation Plan will be requested when completed.
7. Syd contacted David Viale at Southeast Land Trust (SELT.) Jeremy Lougee is the lead on Bodwell project. They are looking into applying for Federal funds through NRCS Agricultural Land Easement Program. SELT Board is voting to commit to fundraising.
8. Rider Intent to Cut
Commission reviewed plan, limited proposed disturbance in Kensington. Commission concerned about disturbance of town bound and increased nitrogen load on adjacent wetlands, proper manure storage, increased density of grazing animals. Joan will draft a letter to DES with others to review.
9. Adjourned 10:05 p.m.