

Underhill Conservation Commission

December 14, 2015

Present: Pat Lamphere, Dan Steinbauer, Karen McKnight, Nancy McRae

Pat opened the meeting at 6:20 PM. All of the four remaining members of the Conservation Commission attended. There were no representatives of the public available to offer comments.

The need for new membership was discussed; we will ask Brian to advertise on Front Porch Forum. However, it was agreed that it would be easier to attract newcomers if we have an interesting project. Younger folks and more from the Route 15 side of town would be great.

Mapping invasive plants using an available app might generate some applicants, but that has to take place during the growing season. If the state has an animal tracking program this winter, the Commission would like to participate and could publicize that as a project.

Pat will organize Green-up Day on May 7, 2016, with help from Gerry Adams. The annual plant sale will take place on June 4th. We need to advertise sooner for plants as the demand was greater than the supply.

Profit from the 2015 plant sale was \$217.70. The current balance in the Commission's account is \$2037.72.

Dan is engaged in the extension service help line for invasive insects and very involved in related programs. He wants to keep the town apprised of developments through his affiliation with the Conservation Commission. He is also helping to construct a database of wood dealers in the area.

The Commission's next meeting is scheduled for February 8th at 6:30 PM. At that time we may discuss amending the rules of procedure to reflect current realities.

Submitted by Nancy McRae

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