

OFFICIAL MINUTES:
Eliot Conservation Commission
Eliot, Maine 03903
OFFICIAL MINUTES: Business Meeting

DATE: October 1, 2014
APPROVED: November 5, 2014



OFFICERS:
Chairman: Kimberly Richards
Vice chairman: Glenn Crilley
Secretary: Claudette Moran
Treasurer: CJ Cogswell

Meeting was called to order at 7:00PM at Town Hall

In attendance: Glenn Crilley, Jeff Duncan , Kim Richards, Claudette Moran, Orland McPherson, Valerie Nardone and alternate member: Connie Weeks

Absent: Ernie Bruneau, Jack Murphy, CJ Cogswell

Guest: none

FINANCIAL REPORT: There was no report in the treasurer's absence

PAST MINUTES: accepted as amended for September 3, 2014

ELIOT FESTIVAL DAYS: It was a great success with good traffic by booth along with positive feedback.. Five people signed up for the dragon flies.

ELECTION DAY: There will be a table. We will urge people to be informed and encourage to read about the growth permit wording that could impact the town growth and number of permits for new housing. We will encourage them to check the Portsmouth Herald, Foster's Daily Democrat and the town website for notice of upcoming public comment/information meetings to be held by the Planning Board and later by the Board of Selectmen. Notice will also be given regarding the regular meeting day/times for each (Planning board: first and third Tuesday; Board of Selectmen: every Thursday).

At the table we will also make available information on the pamphlets that Kim produced this year as well as information on the invasive species and an invitation to join the ECC meetings on the first Wednesday of each month.

STATE ROAD: Kim checked and all appears to be in order. She will notify Crystal Kent who indicated her concerns to Kim.

PUNKINTOWN WALK THROUGH 2014: Connie has made several attempts to contact her. She will continue to do so.

IMPROVING DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROCESS: We will work on this by meeting with Beginning with Habitat. They are scheduled to meet with ECC at the November meeting. At this time we will clarify their function regarding town conservation commissions and how we can best work with them.

Jennifer Fox plans on attending this meeting.

TOWN FOREST: Connie suggested a subcommittee be formed to work on the issues, desires, benefits, goals, etc. of seeking a conservation easement on the town forest property. It was suggested that control of the invasive species should be one of the goals. Valerie, Glenn, Kim offered to be part of the committee with Connie.

OPEN SPACE ORDINANCE: Connie expressed concern regarding the wording "at the discretion of the applicant." Jeff explained that the successful applicant would have to select amongst three alternatives that are all conservation oriented.

We are all to read the ordinance section 45-467 on the Opens Space Development.

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS: Referring to the minutes from last September's meeting Jeff said that (1) there was no further information regarding the 2 new retail units across from the Eliot Commons, (2) The residential property in shoreland zone where two structures would be removed and replace with one structure was approved, (3) the new 4 lot subdivision was approved and the (4) ARC (Aggregate Recycling Corporation) application looking to increase the area of the C&D had not been returned.

Coming up: seems that Cumberland Farms is looking into opening/building a store on Eliot Commons.

OLD BUSINESS: None

ROUND TABLE: register to vote and vote on November 4, 2014

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, November 5 , 2014 at 7:00PM at Town Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Claudette C. Moran
Secretary, ECC

cc: Eliot town clerk
Commission Members
Commission File

