

Cumberland Town Lands and Conservation Commission

Date: July 21, 2013 (* = Chair; + = liaison TC; +=Town Mgr.) Bill Shane++ (abs)

To: CTL&CC members: Brad Hilton Brian Restuccia (abs)
Penny Asherman Ellen Hoffman *Sam York (abs)
Ted Chadbourne Bill Mullin David Young
Tom Gruber + (abs) Susan Nolde (start only)

From: Ellen Hoffman

Re: Meeting July 10th, 2013 (Brad chaired meeting in Sam's absence.)

- Minutes from June meeting were approved.
- Discussion of Brad's proposal of disposition of three town-owned lots: U13A, Cottage Farms Rd and R6 lots 15, 16 off Greely Rd Ext:
 - Town should take no action (i.e. keep) lots 15 & 16. Known as old town forest.
 - Cottage Farm lot – should only keep right of way but sell rest of property. Have easement – public access for potential pedestrian easement back and along corner to get to Sparhawk Ln.
 - Penny made motion to approve Brad's proposal with some suggested changes. Add language to encourage town to upgrade forest and connecting (existing) trails on Lots 15 and 16 off Greely Rd. Also there are trails across Blanchard Rd from these lots. 4 in favor – Ted opposed. Brad will upgrade proposal.
- Town Forest – need to wait for feedback from Joe Anderson. He plans to attend September meeting (no meeting in August). Joe surveyed the Town Forest last month marking where buckthorn hot spots are. EH walked part of the forest with him.
 - Brad wants to start working on relocating some of the worse sections of trail. EH concerned that any work should be coordinated with Joe Anderson - at least make him aware of "the plan". Brad will put flags (yellow) to indicate where trail will be rerouted and touch base with Joe.
- Planning Board Project – nothing discussed.
- Rines Forest – no update
- Blueberry Hill logging – no update
- Vernal pools – no update
- Invasive species grant search – no update
- Continuing projects/goals for 2013:

- Invasive species education: Possibly do a fall presentation with someone from Cooperative Extension.
- Educational site walk of Rines Forest scheduled for September 29th (1:00 pm) with the Maine Tree Club.
- Update Trail Guide. Sam will contact Brian Sterns to see status of trail system (no update). No update on trail connection between Falmouth trail and Rines Forest. Penny mentioned town looking to buy a Trimble GPS (grant through Norcross Foundation). Use for a variety of Town-wide purposes.
- **Next meeting September 4th (no meeting in August).**