

Cumberland Town Lands and Conservation Commission

Date: February 25, 2010

To: CTL&CC members: (* = Chair; + = liaison TC) Steve Moriarty +
Penny Asherman Tom Gruber (new) Paul Weiss
Don Borchert Ellen Hoffman *Sam York
Ted Chadbourne (abs) Chip LeBlanc David Young (abs)

From: Ellen Hoffman

Re: Meeting February 3rd 2010

- Last meeting's minutes were approved
- Budget – Sam will request money from Bill Shane
 - Printing cost – summary of vernal pools – info send to land owners
 - Maine association of conservation commissions – membership
 - Tree City/ Project Canopy
- Greely road extension – no update; land is up for sale. Maybe a conservation easement opportunity
- Vernal Pools:
 - Bill Shane, Don, Penny, and Sam got together to discuss this year's approach; meeting to divvy up pools; postcard to be sent to landowners.
 - 38 groupings
 - Thank you letter to last year's volunteers
 - Setup an email address for volunteer responses vernalpools@cumberlandmaine.com
 - Advertise for volunteers – website, article in Forecaster.
 - March 18th indoor training in Freeport (6-8)
 - Saturday April 10th 9:30-12:00 (rain or shine) outdoor training. Meet at the town hall.
 - Maps have been done.
 - Packets will be distributed on training day (assignments, maps, and handout, location of pool, and property owner name and number). Should be ready by April 1st.
 - Need to draft letter to landowners, enclose a postcard to return if don't want survey done (last 2 weeks of April for wood frogs, 2nd week May for salamanders).
 - Power Point presentation to town by Feb 23rd. – summary of last year's study – importance to environment, town and landowner, pictures, collection methodology, results. Tool of planning board and code enforcement officer.
 - Move April meeting to March 31st to review packets.

- Lamb Woods – no update
- Goals / activities 2010 List in order of priority
 - Presentation of data from vernal pool - done
 - Packet for new members – done
 - Budget
 - Tree city/Arbor Day
 - Maine Assoc of Conservation Commissions
 - Update Trail guide
 - Vernal pool study – phase 2
 - Send out thank you letters - done
 - Send out info about next collection – educate importance of study
 - Attend refresher session
 - Assignment packets
 - Recruit volunteers
 - Sign in when data returned
 - Project Canopy / Tree City
 - March meeting (meet and greet)
 - Schedule presentation for town
 - Tree ordinance
 - Tree inventory
 - Update trail guide
 - What about properties on Chebeague
 - Maintenance/status of existing trails
 - New trails
 - Geocaching
 - New printing – post on line
 - Town forest
 - Trail management
 - Access bridges
- April meeting: Wednesday March 31st 7:30