

Charlemont Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes
December 5, 2018
Charlemont Town Hall

Conservation Commission Present: Doug Telling, Bill Harker, Tom Shields, Rob Lingle and Steve Ferguson

Absent:

Guests: Marguerite Willis (Select Board) and Brian Dupree

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm.

6:05- Opened discussion regarding a new (updated) WPA Form-9 Enforcement Order for 180 Route 8-A North for approximately 100 vehicles, (as stated by Brian Dupree, owner of property), stored within 200' of Resource Area.

- ⑩ Telling read the language for the new enforcement order, (language reflected in enforcement order issued on 12/5/18) and showed aerial photos of area that might require possible restoration of plant life within the resource area.
- ⑩ Harker advised that we need not be overly concerned with plant life, at this time, as much of the vegetation might return once the vehicles have been removed.
- ⑩ Willis shared information outlining what actions must be taken to acquire ownership of abandoned vehicles and empathized with Mr. Dupree's difficulties in that regard.
- ⑩ Harker explained that a license-3 couldn't move forward until Conservation Commission criteria were met.
- ⑩ Ferguson asked why couldn't another company be hired to remove the vehicles from the resource area.
- ⑩ The conversation continued along these lines, eventually leading to raised voices and Mr. Dupree leaving the meeting.
- ⑩ Commission discussed various options for moving the vehicles out of the resource area and discussed the committee's options moving forward.
- ⑩ At 6:55 Ferguson made a motion to issue the new enforcement order. Telling seconded the motion. The motion was discussed and passed unanimously at 7:08.

Discussion ended at 7:10.

7:12- Telling brought up issue of emergency certification form for the removal of a tree which had fallen into a stream at 1820 Route-2 and for the renewal of the eroded berm with gravel.

- ⑩ Ferguson moved to ratify the issuance of the emergency certification order for 1820 Route-2. Harker seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

7:20- Commission discussed budget for 2019, including the need for funds for education. Harker moved to raise budget to \$450.00. Lingle seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

7:22- Commission reviewed cutting plan for 225 Avery Brook Road.

7:32- Harker moved to submit annual membership fee to MACC. Telling Seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

7:43- Ferguson moved to adjourn. Telling seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:43.

Respectfully submitted by Steve Ferguson.

Minutes not official until signed.

Documents:

Minutes from 11/7/18

Aerial Photos of 180 Route-8A North

WPA Form-9 for 180 Route-8A North dated 12/5/18

Agenda for 12/5/18

MACC letter regarding 2019 annual dues

Cutting Plans for 225 Avery Brook Road

Emergency Certification for 1820 Route-2