

Canterbury Conservation Commission  
MINUTES April 10, 2017

**Present:** Kelly Short, chair; Tom Osmer, vice chair; Jon Nute, treasurer; Bob Fife, Steve Seron, Linda Fife, Faith Berry, Charlie Krautmann, , Chris Blair

**Absent:** Jennifer Taylor, Ken Stern, Bob Steenson

**Permits** – None received.

**Botanical collections in Merrimack County**

The NH Botany Club requested permission to collect plant samples (2 samples/plant) on town land for a project with the NH Natural Heritage Bureau and the UNH Hodgdon Herbarium. Jon moved that we give them permission to collect plants as requested; Chris Blair seconded. No more discussion. All voted in favor of the motion. Kelly will ask the project contact, Deb Lievens ([dlievens@ix.netcom.com](mailto:dlievens@ix.netcom.com)), to let us know when they are collecting on Town property in case any members want to participate.

**Trails**

Kelly reported that the Loudon Conservation Commission had been in touch to discuss their interest in trail building, including the concept of a trail that crosses from the town line. They do not have a specific proposal but hoped to open communication. With that and the informal trails group in town, as well as the CC's trail projects, Kelly proposed that we create a subcommittee for trails, comprised of some members of CC and others in town interested in creating and maintaining trails. After discussion, Charlie Kautmann volunteered to be a point person for information and discussion about trails and trail work in town. We will not create a subcommittee at this time. Kelly will pass the Loudon contact info on to Charlie, and he will also connect with the Canterbury group via Dave Emerson.

**Nomination of members**

Kelly reported that terms for Tom Osmer, Jennifer Taylor and herself were expiring. Jennifer had declined to serve another term at this time, which created one opening for a Voting member. Kelly asked whether any alternates would like to serve as voting members, or if there were any nominations. Teresa Wyman nominated Charlie Krautmann to fill the vacant Voting member seat and Charlie agreed to accept the nomination. Teresa moved we recommend the following slate to the Board of Selectmen for appointment as Voting members with terms expiring in 2020: Charlie Krautman, Tom Osmer, Kelly Short. Bob Fife seconded the motion. No further discussion. All voted in favor of the motion.

**Election of Officers**

Tom Osmer and Jon Nute have offered to serve another terms as vice chair and treasurer respectively. The chair's term is 2-years, with the current term expiring in April 2018. Kelly moved to elect Tom as vice chair and Jon as treasurer for one-year terms expiring

46 April 2018. Steve Seron seconded. No further discussion. All voted in favor of the  
47 motion.

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50 **Kimball Pond - Fife CA land management**

51 Members discussed input for the “landowner” information sheet to provide to the  
52 Ecosystem Management Company to use in developing a land management plan for the  
53 Kimball Pond – Fife CA. Tom offered to complete the form using input from the  
54 discussion and the existing management and easement documents.

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56 **Moffett easement**

57 Howard Moffett informed the Commission that negotiations on a proposed easement on  
58 his Cogswell Hill Rd property with Five Rivers Conservation Trust had stalled over an  
59 indemnification clause that Five Rivers wanted included in the easement. He asked  
60 whether the CC would consider taking the easement directly. Chris Blair will follow up  
61 with Five Rivers Conservation Trust to learn whether the indemnification clause is now  
62 stanadard in easements and whether the CCC would need the same clause. Kelly will  
63 follow up with Howard

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65 **April Minutes**

66 Teresa Wyman moved acceptance of the April 2017 minutes. Steve Seron seconded the  
67 motion. No corrections or discussion. All voted in favor of the motion.

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69 Tom reminded the Commission that we should discuss options for marking the  
70 boundaries of all town-owned properties, starting with the ones that we did NRIs for.

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72 Submitted by Kelly Short