

Sharon Conservation Commission

December 17, 2024

Minutes

On Tuesday December 17, 2024, a regular meeting of the Sharon Conservation Commission was held at the Sharon Meeting House on Route 123 in Sharon, New Hampshire at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were Anne Booth, Belinda Backstrom, Anne Fischer and Megan Cahill.

Also in attendance was Robert Hauser.

Financial

Fund balances ending 12/31/2024.

Town Forest Fund:	Interest: \$ 69.34	Balance: \$ 85,086.13
Conservation Fund	Interest: \$113.70	Balance: \$139,517.21

Anne Booth proposed that we donate \$100.00 to each of the conservation organizations instead of \$75 to the Monadnock Conservancy and to SPNHF and \$80.00 to NEFF as in the past. Anne F. suggested sending the donations to a particular person with a letter stating what we accomplished in 2024, what are goals are for 2025, and ways in which we may work together (Gina’s idea).

Conservation Easements

Discussed the San-Ken property on Swamp Road_ (Map 7 Lot-21 – 92 acres) and Anne and Anne will bring this to the attention of the Planning Board.

Cons Com members voted to hire Paul Doscher to be a consultant, meeting with landowners interested in easements. Anne Fischer moved and Belinda Backstrom seconded. Vote unanimous.

Discussed creating a PowerPoint presentation on conservation easements. This could be shown during Moosewood Ecological presentation to Town, and it can also be put on Town website.

Town Forest

Anne Fischer will contact Moosewood about status of report/presentation.

Accomplishments

In 2024, Cons Com accomplishments include the launch of Town Forest inventory, the BioBlitz that was open to the public, ongoing iNaturalist program, and outreach to forest organizations about easements and protecting Swamp Rd. property.

New members

Megan Cahill is interested in joining the Conservation Commission as an alternate.

**Next regular meeting will be held at the Sharon Meeting House
Route 123 Sharon, New Hampshire at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday Jan. 28, 2025.**