

Litchfield Conservation Commission  
February 6, 2014  
7:00 p.m. Town Hall  
2 Liberty Way

Members Present: Tom Levesque – Chairman  
Joan McKibben – Vice Chairman  
Sharon Jones  
Marion Godzik  
Roger St. Laurent  
Michael Croteau – Alternate

Selectmen’s Rep: John Brunelle

Absent: Richard Husband

APPROVED 3/5/15

Called to order 7:00 PM  
No Public Input

**Old Business:**

- **Moore’s Falls** – Fence for entry way on Rte 3A available at Tractor Supply Store, LCC has \$100., in our maintenance budget to purchase the fence.
- **Conservation Properties** – in the assessment records it now reads: bought with conservation funds.
- **Land Use Change Tax** and accountability of conservation land fund– LCC asked the Budget Commission to increase LCC Budget to \$1,500., to cover additional maintenance, the Budget Commission said LCC should use there own money for maintenance etc. LCC feels we should not use Land Use Tax Funds for maintenance etc., next year LCC to go to the Deliberative Session to try and get a Warrant Article passed.

**New Business:**

- **Site walk December 19, 2014** – was January 21<sup>st</sup> with NH Fish & Game Geologist, re; river access on the Jefferson Parcel that abuts NH State Property. Public boat ramp will

probably never happen. Rich Cook at NH Fish and Game will be LCC's contact, Joan McKibben knows him.

- **Winter Fest - February 13, 14, & 15** – Sharon Jones could not get NH Fish and Game to come and help out with ice fishing, there was a change of contact person and by the time he got the email the date had been booked. Snow Shoeing at Darrah Pond will take place from 10 a.m. until 1p.m. Joan McKibben and Richard Husband will lead the treks 50 people have signed up already.

**Other Business:**

- **New England Cottontail habitat project** – this work is occurring in several areas in Southern NH, Litchfield being one of those Towns. N.E. cottontails are dependent on early-successional habitats ie; shrubs have to grow then the following spring they add the bunnies, then take down a couple more trees, then plant more shrubs etc.
- **Rain fall report** - record kept by Roger St. Laurent. For the month of January Litchfield had 32.35" of snowfall and 3.67" of rain – from snow melt. The coldest temperature was -8 degrees at 6:00 a.m. on 1/8/15. The warmest temperature was 37 degrees on 1/5/15.

**Financial Status:**

- **Budget** – no changes, \$1,580., for LCC for 2015

**Correspondence:**

- Tax Map 15, Lot 2 Wetlands Minimum impact was filed (Mathes Trust, 80 acres)

**Approval of Minutes:**

- Joan McKibben Motions to accept Minutes, Roger St. Laurent seconds, Unanimous 7-0-0

March 10, 2015 is Town Elections

Roger St. Laurent mentions the fence at Moore's Falls is a security issue. John Brunelle recommends waiting to see if the budget passes then go to the Board of Selectman.

Marion Godzik Motions to **adjourn** at 7:45 Roger St. Laurent seconds, **Motion passes -7-0-0**

**Next Meeting(s) Thursday , March 5, 2015.**

Respectfully Submitted by: Sharon M. Jones, Secretary