

Canaan Conservation Commission

October 6 2014

Attendees: Bill Chabot, Noel Everts, Len Reitsma, Aaron Allen, Dave McAlister, Alice Schori, Elizabeth Chabot

Guests: Alan Strickland, Mike Mezzacapo, Ashley Wojnarowski

September Minutes

- Aaron moved that the minutes be approved, Dave seconded the motion, all approved

McKee Parcel

- Steve Walker sent new markers to post on the property boundaries
- The property walk occurred as planned last month. Despite several attempts to notify the owners, an unfriendly note was left on Aaron's windshield while the walk was in process. They have been re-minded of the town's rights and obligations.
- A majority of the boundary was walked.
- Marking with the new tags and additional flagging to be done in December. Date TBD

Harris Brook Recreation Area

- Aaron is planning to attend the Enfield Conservation Commission meeting in November, first Thursday
- Abutters are to be notified in December

Town Forest Easement

- There was discussion around an easement vs covenants due to cost
- Bill to invite ULVT to discuss their views on why property should be put into easement vs other options
- Bill to talk to Mike Samson about language around covenants for the property.
- The Town can't hold an easement
- **Goals:**
 - open for hunting & recreation to the public
 - trapping must be approved
 - unauthorized motorized vehicles prohibited
 - CCC maintains operational control of hut
 - tree cutting for maintaining trails and hut
 - no creating trails without CCC permission
 - no bikes
 - no fires
 - designated parking areas
 - dogs on leashes on trails unless actively engaged in hunting
 - no horses
 - Possibly leave additional area available near hut for additional building

New Members

Mike and Ashley expressed desire to join the Commission.

Len moved that we accept Mike Mezzacapo as a full-time member of the Commission, Aaron seconded the motion, all approved.

Elizabeth moved that we accept Ashley Wojnarowski as a full-time member of the Commission, Len seconded the motion, all approved.

Their terms are for 3 years, starting November 1 2014

Motion to adjourn made by Len, seconded by Elizabeth

Next meeting to be held on November 3, 2014 at the Senior Center