

**Danby Conservation Advisory Council
Minutes of Regular Meeting
February 25, 2013**

Present:

Joel Gagnon
Dan Klein
Mary Woodsen
Jake Brenner

Others Present:

Public Ronda Roaring, Noy Chansavath-Davis

The Meeting was called to order by Chair Joel Gagnon at 7:10pm

Priviledge of the Floor

Ronda talked about some land she knows of in Danby that is being worked by neighbors. The neighbors are over the town line in Newfield. They could potentially be approached about entering into a conservation easement. The question is whether Danby is legally allowed to hold easements on land outside the Town. Mary said she will ask Guy Krogh about this.

Appoint Chair

Dan moved and Jake seconded a motion to ask the Town Board to re-appoint Joel as Chair of the CAC. The motion passed 4 -0.

Conservation Easement Template

We looked at the work Mary has been doing on the sample conservation easement, trying to re-write it in plainer English. We also looked at Guy Krogh's comments on Mary's work so far. One of Guy's comments had to do with using 'positive easement' language. Mary will ask Guy for examples of what that means.

Future Meetings

Dan moved, and Joel seconded, to change our meeting originally scheduled for March 25 to April 1, and the April 22 meeting to April 29. Also, those and future meetings will be at 7:00 pm instead of 7:30. The motion passed 4 – 0. Dan said he would check with the town clerk to confirm the availability of the town hall on those dates and book them accordingly.

Deputron Hollow

We discussed that we still needed to do a management plan for the Town-owned land in Deputron Hollow. We plan to do it this warm-weather season. There are some other good adjacent parcels to consider when looking at this area. Some names of Danby residents that came up who may be able to help with inventory and a management plan include Bob Wesley, David Werier, Bill Evans, and Tom Gavin.

Submitted by Dan Klein