Danby Conservation Advisory Council Minutes of Regular Meeting July 28, 2014

Present:

Joel Gagnon (Chair) Dan Klein Mary Woodsen Jake Brenner Matt Ulinski

Others Present:

Public Erick Palmer, DeAnna DeMark, Ted Melchen

Town Board Jack Miller

The Meeting was opened at 7:05 pm

June Minutes

Joel sent changes in a draft to Matt. These included meeting (current and next) date changes. Dan noted he was not the Town Board representative. Changes noted and made. Joel moved to approve, Jake seconded. All approved.

Executive Session

Joel moved to go into executive session to discuss easements under review. Jake seconded. All Approved.

Motion

Mary moved to accept the Palmer/DeMark Easement with additions and changes as discussed in Executive Session and send to the Town Attorney for review and then to Town Board for approval. Dan Seconded. All approved.

Motion

Jake moved to accept the Melchen easement as drafted with the additions and changes as discussed in Executive Session and forward to the Town Board for approval. Mary Seconded. Dan – No. (there is no specification for how long someone can live in the hunting cabin), Jake, Matt, Joel, Mary – Yes. Approved.

Hanson Easement

Signing ceremony 11AM Wednesday 7-30-2014 at Town Hall. Joel wrote up press release which was reviewed at meeting.

Deputron Hollow

Survey shows 10 acres of land that belongs to the Town on north side of the road. Need management plan for Town-owned property. There was a discussion of what the unique values of the property were and how it might (or might not) fit into a larger plan for Deputron Hollow. It was recommended that the property be left as is, with the intention to manage as old growth and reassess with a broader vision for the hollow at a later time.

Further discussion was about the property on the south side. This parcel was not surveyed. Joel recommended we wait until current easements are finalized before approaching the landholder to see if an easement could be exchanged for clearing up property ownership issue.

Big Trees

No big trees yet this month.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

The next meeting is on August 25, 2014 at 7:00PM.

Submitted by Matt Ulinski