

Ashland Conservation Commission
Draft Minutes for 1/20/16

Members present

Renee Liebert
Kathleen DeWolfe
Walter Durack
Harold Lamos

Guests: Susan Macleod and Steve Felton

Renee Liebert called meeting to order at 6:31pm. Kathleen DeWolfe made a motion to approve minutes of Dec. 16th 2015, Harold Lamos seconded this motion. Vote of 4-0.

The Commission discussed the PRLAC letter to intervene. And the succession of events in this matter.

- 1) Application complete
- 2) County meetings
- 3) Adjudication actions
- 4) Deliberative sessions

Steve and Susan represent several boards and committees within Ashland and came before the Conservation Commission to voice their concerns regarding Northern Pass and implications to our town. These matters of discussion included the visual eyesore, the effects upon our Water and Sewer departments and the effects on economic growth within Ashland. This was a good collaborative which was in tune with our "One town, one team" outlook.

New Business:

The Commissioners discussed the chain of command in regards to dealing with matters within our town while a chairperson is out of town. We will look into any bylaws that could benefit us in establishing a policy to insure someone can deal with matters when they come up.

The Commission also discussed the culvert construction on North Ashland road (Rope walk) and the ways and means to insure best practices are used on this project within the Peking watershed.

Additional Business:

With deep regret the next meeting (2-17-16) shall be the last for our chairperson Renee Liebert, she has been a great chairperson and carried this commission thru some hard transitional times.....she shall be missed.

Renee Liebert made a motion to adjourn at 8:34pm.....vote of 4-0.