

Stratford Conservation Commission

2025-02-13 Business Meeting Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chris Caron; Jenny Caron; Chelsea Preterite; Clayton Macdonald, secretary.

PUBLIC PRESENT: None

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 17:07

1. Reviewed minutes of 24-12-05, accepted as written, 3/0
2. Discussed Chris's recommendations for moving forward with the Natural Resources Inventory (NRI) including a draft RFQP proposal. Considered various strategies for engaging and managing an inventory contractor as well as the need to refine the Commission's goals, objectives, and hopes for the inventory and for its future use. Public accessibility and user friendliness were highlighted as important considerations.
3. Recapped year 2024 events, including the NRI public hearing where the purpose of an NRI was explained, some hesitation was expressed about inventory being taken on private lands, but support and advice were also expressed. Considered the 'favorite places' interactive map as a way to engage residents and to determine area for particular attention. Noted the 'clean-up week' event, the difficulties in engaging the school and general public, and the amount of work it entailed for Commission members.
4. Noted past conflicts of members' private life schedules with getting a quorum for Commission meetings, compounded by the vacant seats. Adding Clayton and another potential candidate as alternates will facilitate more frequent meetings.
5. Clayton said that he had received support from the Select Board for the Planning Board to purchase a digital projector for the Town and asked if it would be useful to the Commission; a general positive response was voiced.
6. Discussed meeting schedule and the need to meet more frequently. Agreed next meeting to be on 2025-03-06, Chris/Jen, 3/0.
7. Adjourned: 18:36 Chris/Chelsea, 3/0.

NEXT MEETING: 2025-03-06 @ 17:00.

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Meeting Agenda 2025-02-13

1. Review minutes.
2. NRI content recommendations
3. RFP/RFQ development
4. Previous year re-cap.
5. Vacancies
6. Other Business

Project List