

Members: Jason Holder, Allan Hess, Robert Loree, David Caillouette, Patty Shogren (alternate member)
Chairman Carsten Springer arrived at 8:20 PM.

Others in attendance: Bill Morse (Danville Resident)

Meeting called to order by Jason Holder @ 7:40PM and televised

Pledge of Allegiance was recited: by those present

Bill Morse, a Danville resident since 1976 came before the Con Com with some questions and to obtain permission to trim trees bordering the Sanborn Conservation Parcel. His house and garage are across the road from the land at the corner of Back Road and Main St. He informed the members that he tries to look out for the Sanborn property inquiring what activities are allowed on that lot. Jason gave an overview of what is permitted, emphasizing that the Con Com wants to make it a welcoming place for the town residents. Mr. Morse then explained that both the garage, closest to the Sanborn Commons, and his house have solar panels on the roof. He is fearful that a few of the trees lining the Sanborn parcel will eventually grow high enough to block the sun rays from the solar panel production on the barn. He would like permission to trim the trees to telephone height when they reach that point. Alan asked him how the trees would block the sun when the roof lines run East to West and the trees are on the South side. Mr. Morse explained that the trees will block the sun when the sun tracks lower in the winter sky. Robert Loree indicated that he had taken photos of the trees in question and shared them with the members. A discussion followed. It was mentioned that there are some maple trees in that group which have been tapped in the past. Bobby mentioned that trimming may cause some trees to grow back bushier. The members agreed to take the request under advisement and will call Mr. Morse to join the Con Com members in the next couple of weeks to evaluate the trees. Mr. Morse left his phone number with the clerk and then given to the Con Com chairman.

Review Minutes: The minutes of the October 15th minutes were reviewed and amended. A motion was made by Dave and seconded by Bobby to accept the minutes as amended. The motion passed by a vote of 3 affirmatives and Alan and Patty abstaining.

Old Business: Jason informed the group that a county work crew would be available this coming Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Three workers and one officer will clear the gravel pit (aka the shooting range or berm) in the town forest. Patty informed the group that she will take care of the lunch for the workers from the funds allocated by vote of the Con Com.

Jason advised the members that he had written down his ideas for a sign by the parking lot and read the statement aloud.

“Welcome to Danville’s Sanborn Preserve

The preservation of this land is made possible through the support of the Danville residents in cooperation with the Danville Conservation Committee. Please treat these fields and woods with respect FOR ALL TO ENJOY. Open to the public for recreational activities including hiking, picnics, running, sledding, snow shoeing, X-C skiing and snowmobiling.

Please-no unauthorized motorized wheeled vehicles.

Enjoy!”

He once again emphasized that the sign should be welcoming.

Mentioned also were the ideas from the Oct 1st meetings which included:

1. Leave it as you found it
2. No digging
3. Bring it in. Take it out

Alan suggested adding some sort of glass covered sleeve to the sign so that notices and upcoming events could be posted and changed out as needed while protected from the elements. Such as if the bees, sheep or goats are there.

Dave suggested using icons for skiing, sledding etc. as seen on state park signs.

One idea for the main sign was to match the the community center sign. Patty will get a cost estimate for the signs.

Chairman Springer arrived at 8:20 P.M.

Carsten informed the group that in some areas of the commons, boundary signs are needed. One area is about 300 feet long. He would like to walk the boundary lines with the new owner of the house that abuts the Beach Plain Road side of the property. Carsten reminded the group that the conservation parcel is called The Sanborn Family Agricultural and Recreational Commons. He asked the group to set a date to trim some of the trees to make room for more apple trees and blueberry bushes in the spring. It is hoped that Dave can make it so he can learn how to select trees for trimming. Saturday November 14th from 10 AM – 2 PM with a rain date of November 21st. The group suggested notifying Mr. Morse of that date and they can view the tree area then. It was mentioned that Shawn O’Neil asked that some wood chips be placed at the base of the bee hives before the winter. The site of the parking area was discussed. The brush needs to be cleared to check the terrain underneath before crush stone is placed there. One area of wetlands in another location may require a culvert for water flow. Carsten mentioned that he has 16-foot trailer to bring the telephone poles to the site to separate the parking area. Bobby researched a nursery in Concord and Carsten one in Waterboro, Maine regarding buying the trees in the spring. Mac’s, Corland’s (easy to trim) other varieties and fruit bushes will be considered. Carsten stated the county and state nursery no longer sells trees. The cost per tree may be lower if more are bought. Patty noted that Brian Delahunty, a town resident, owns a nursery in Windham and maybe able to suggest a supplier. Carsten will touch bases with him. He informed the group the trees that were grafted last spring had limited success.

Adjournment:

At 8:40 PM, Carsten made a motion, seconded by Jason, to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A: 3 II (d), *Consideration of the acquisition, sale, or lease of real or personal property which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interests are adverse to those of the general community.*

A roll call vote was taken. Bobby yes, Jason yes, Carsten yes, Allan yes, Patty yes, David yes.

The televised session ended.

MINUTES PREPARED BY MARY ANN DISTEFANO

Amended/Approved on December 3, 2015 by majority of the Commission