

## **Sharon Conservation Commission**

August 26, 2025

### **Minutes**

On Tuesday August 26, 2025, a regular meeting of the Sharon Conservation Commission was held at the Sharon Meeting House on Route 123 in Sharon, New Hampshire at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were Anne Fischer, Anne Booth, Belinda Backstrom, Beth Fernald and Megan Cahill.

Robert Hauser was also in attendance.

### **Minutes**

The July minutes were approved. The website has been updated with minutes from January to July.

### **Financial**

Fund balances as of 8/29/2025:

Town Forest Fund	Interest	\$66.42	Balance	\$76,211.75
Conservation Fund	Interest	\$ 122.21	Balance	\$140,215.59

### **Conservation Easements**

Beth will write to trustee of Bonsal property (Map 7, Lot 8 -125 acres and Map 3, Lot 46 – 46 acres) about our interest.

### **Moose Plate Grant:**

Tabled until 2026. When it comes time to apply for grants, Anne F. knows of an additional source.

### **Town Forest**

Anne F. will contact NEFF and SPNF. Plan a public presentation to promote stewardship. Beth will have two copies of finished report made and have it saved to a flash drive.

### **Trail Work**

Anne F. and Ken Callahan plan to work on Matthews trail on Friday August 29. All are invited.

### **Beavers**

Anne Booth contacted Mike Callahan's company, Beaver Solutions LLC, which John Evans is now running. He told her that in order to get the beaver device serviced, we needed to re-up the agreement (for a fee). We signed the initial contract in December of 2023, and should have had service included in the following 12-month period, yet they claim that it is within a calendar year and not a 12-month period. The device needed to be cleaned in 2024, and Anne had sent Mike photos of the debris accumulating. Now

the debris has created a dam, causing the fencing on the device to bend, allowing water to flow over. Anne B. is going to call John back and explain that that would have given us one month of service, that they knew of our need for service within a 12-month period and now the device is not functioning properly.

### **Swearing in**

Megan was sworn in as a full member of the Conservation Commission.

### **NH Association of Cons Coms**

The annual meeting takes place Nov. 1 in Pembroke. We'd like someone from the ConsCom to attend (Anne F. cannot). The agenda for the meeting will be posted on the NHACC website in October. Keynote is by Ethan Tapper, forester and author of *How to Love a Forest: The bittersweet work of tending a changing world*.

### **Other**

Discussed new ADU law. Anne F. would like to return the Garmin GPS to be stored at the Meetinghouse but needs to know where it should be stored.

**Next regular meeting will be held at the Sharon Meeting House  
Route 123 Sharon, New Hampshire at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday September 23, 2025.**