

## **Sharon Conservation Commission**

Oct. 28, 2025 Minutes

On Tuesday Oct. 28, 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, Megan Cahill, Belinda Backstrom, Anne Booth and guest Peter Beblowski. Robert Hauser and Lee Backstrom were also in attendance.

### **Minutes**

The September minutes were approved.

### **Financial**

The latest fund numbers as of 11/3/2025:

Town Forest Fund	Interest \$ 69.00	Balance \$ 74,514.56
Conservation Fund	Interest \$ 130.06	Balance \$ 140,456.50

### **Conservation Easements**

Peter Beblowski, chair of Antrim Conservation Commission, was in attendance to share information about Antrim's conservation easement on town land for which they were able to get several grants: Acres for America, LCHIP, NH Mooseplate and Field Pond Foundation. Antrim hired Dennis McKinney, NE Forestry Foundation based in Bennington to do the survey. They did not do a forest management plan. He noted that the Nature Conservancy has maps showing value for carbon sequestration.

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

### **Town Forest**

ConsCom plans to attend Nov. 4 selectboard meeting to explain the need for an easement on the town forest. Decided to hold Moosewood presentation in the spring. ConsCom also decided to go with Monadnock Conservancy because they have the most time invested in the project so far.

To do—look up Clark Road. On deed in registry and on town maps (Who will do this?).

### **Moosewood report**

To do—Anne B. to put printed Moosewood report in archives. PDF is on website. Anne B. will contact Karen Dufresne about presentation with Sharing in Sharon committee. Anne F. will contact Moosewood about spring dates.

### **Trail Work**

Anne F. reported that Sandy mowed logging road but not across the field. Had hoped to have part of field mowed as white pine is growing in, among other species. Ken Chicoine cut a few trees that were down on Sullivan Loop, most notably a large tree

down in the stream and across bridge. Ken was able to cut the limbs off bridge—to cut the tree that's in the water would require boots, etc. Big Tree trail and Milt Street are still in need of cutting. Re-blazing needed on Big Tree, Sullivan and Meadow Brook.

### **Beavers**

To do—Contact Egan again to discuss misleading wording in contract. (Who can do this?)

### **Bass Park**

County forester, Mike Gagnon, informed Anne F. that the red pine trees in Bass park have red pine scale and should be removed as they will become a safety hazard in the next year. She will let Bass Park trustees know.

### **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**

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 November 25, 2025.**