

Minutes
Conservation Lands Review Committee
June 7, 2013

Present: Ned Beecher, John Mersfelder, Chele Miller, Kate Thompson. Also David White.

Current Conservation Projects: Bearcamp Valley Farm

This meeting continued the prior week's discussions, but with a focus on potential further conservation of the Bearcamp Valley Farm, because of a recent development on that project.

Mr. Floyd talked to Ned and said he is willing to accept this Committee's last offer, which was made two months ago. Ned told him he would run it by this Committee and see if we thought what was proposed was doable. The sense of the Committee was that it was worth pursuing the potential project further, with the hopes of signing a purchase and sale agreement in the next couple of weeks. Fundraising would follow, with the understanding that, if it failed, only the deposit made at the signing of the purchase and sale agreement might be lost.

Ned will talk with Bob Floyd, conveying the terms the Committee proposes for a three-year, gradual purchase of conservation easements on both of the long, narrow tracts of land of the Farm south of Route 25, map 420, lots 7 and 9 on the town tax maps.

Adjourned: moved by John, seconded by Chele, all approved.

Draft minutes to be reviewed and approved at a subsequent meeting.