

Hunting Advisory Committee
Town of Hampton, Ct.
First Meeting
(Special Meeting)
6 Feb. 2013 5:00pm
Town Hall Conference Room
Agenda

Call to Order/Roll Call of Members – Ed Burchfield, Jeff Smith, Ralph Brand, Doug Stewart and Rich Schenk. Elect a chairperson, and secretary.

AUDIENCE FOR CITIZENS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: N/A

COMMUNICATIONS

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Read the charge of the Committee; ““To investigate and report back with a realistic plan for the logistics of hunting on the Pudding Hill/ Loiselles property.

2. Define the overall scope of the initiative:

a. To evaluate and present a plan for the safe and lawful application of hunting as an outdoor recreation activity in a controlled manner for the citizens of Hampton on town property, to include: Conservation Education Firearms Safety Training, State laws regulating hunting, ethics, and any Town regulatory rules that may be appropriate to implement, for the unique character of the parcel being evaluated.

b. To define the particulars of such a program to ensure fair and equal opportunity for all town citizens that meet all requirements of state and town regulation. Consider the potential impact by other outdoor activities that may conflict with a hunting program.

c. To determine any need for signage and costs associated with procurement and installation. Consider the posting of markers delineating a 500 ft setback as referred to in game law statute. Identify areas that are uniquely suited for any particular hunting implement or that should be restricted in a given area. Identify areas that may need restricted use to only elevated platform stands. Identify restrictions on permanent blinds or stands.

d. Recommend a manner in which permits for hunting are granted by lottery and a majority vote of no less than three citizens assigned such duties (rejection from participating must be explained in writing and referred to the Selectmen for resolution); permits must be signed by a Selectman, or a designated representative (by Direction Authority) of the town. Permits are for the assigned day/s only, and if another permit holder desires to swap time frames it must be approved by the issuing authority, which shall maintain an accurate list of dates, names and contact information for all hunters for the current season.

3. Identify and prioritize the different facets of the plan.

- a. Location of property- PUDDING HILL RD, Parcel ID No. 3-11/28/8, Area 160.46 acres.
 - b. Determine access points and parking area.
 - c. Approximate number of signs needed to post the perimeter. Cost?
 - d. Create forms for lottery, tracking hunter info and calendar.
 - e. Define actions that may be grounds for rejection or revocation from participating:
 - 1. Illicit use of alcohol, drugs or medication (prescribed or not) with the potential for adverse effects in physical skill or judgment.
 - 2. Un-sports-man-like conduct.
 - 3. Violation of rules or regulations (does not require civil or criminal conviction).
 - f. Conduct an initial site walk of the perimeter, followed by any necessary follow-up walks, including the interior of the parcel to evaluate terrain/ typography and safe shooting zones.
4. Discuss the use of motorized vehicles for removal of large game from interior remote areas.
5. Discuss the following:
- a. Safety Briefing for all hunters prior to beginning of season and maps of property.
 - b. Publish public notification of hunting activity on Town website and calendar.
 - c. Consider any restriction/s to the general public during the time/s when hunting is authorized.
6. Set meeting dates and times.
7. Agenda items for next meeting, next regular mtg. is 21 Nov. 2013.

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ADJOURNMENT

<u>Lottery Application</u>	<u>Lottery Application</u>
Conservation ID#	Conservation ID#
Name	Name
Address	Address
Phone#	Phone#
Date/s desired	Date/s desired