

ggfhhCharlemont Conservation Committee
February 12th, 2026, 7:00 PM
Via conference call and in person, Town Hall
Meeting Minutes

Members Participating: Thorne Palmer, Clay Herbert, Scott Randall, Andrea Santos

Others Participating: Star Atkeson (secretary)

Thorne Palmer opened the meeting at 7:00 PM

7:00 Liam Cregan, Franklin Land Trust, re: Conservation Restriction of @ 30 acres of hayfield and woodland at Riddell Road, owned by Dorothy “Penny” DeGeorges.

- Dorothy “Penny” DeGeorges granted the 30 acres to Franklin Land trust to monitor it annually.
- Liam Cregan told Board about the land, including rare flower pyrola, found on site. Riddell Road is only access point. Liam asked ConComm to sign that this conservation restriction will be a public benefit.
- Protection of the land will ensure that its open fields and forests will be permanently available for agriculture and forestry.
- Liam will bring to the Select Board as a next step.

Scott Randall made a motion to approve the project. Andrea Santos seconded the motion. All in favor. The Board signed the Municipal Certificate.

Action items:

1. Review / Approve Minutes from January 8, 2026

Andrea Santos made a motion to accept the Minutes as written. Scott Randall seconded the motion. All in favor.

2. 180 8A, winter break

Board discussed 180 8A:

- Bus is the only thing left
- They plan to go up and look one final time
- They discussed the last visit, it was before the snowfall
- Thorne will call and check in

Andrea Santos made a motion to adjourn at 7:40. Scott Randall seconded the motion. All in favor.

Documents reviewed in meeting:

- Agenda of February 12, 2026
- Minutes of January 8, 2025
- DeGeorges Riddell Rd, Charlemont 8 maps prepared by L. Cregan
- Conservation restriction Application form, Municipal certification form signed by board 2-12-2026