



**Connestee Falls Property Owners Association
PERMANENT COMMITTEE CHARTER
Natural Resources Stewardship Committee**

Authority

The Natural Resources Stewardship Committee is a Permanent Board Committee, established in accordance with Article XIII of the Bylaws of the Association, Section 1.c:

Natural Resources Stewardship Committee shall develop, update, communicate and implement a Natural Resources Stewardship Plan. The Stewardship Plan will be used by the Board, management, and all committees, clubs, and organizations within the community as the basis of planning and decision making to ensure the long-term sustainability of these important resources. Natural resources include plant communities, freshwater communities, and terrestrial/aquatic wildlife.

Membership

The Committee shall consist of up to 7 regular members and up to two alternate members. The provisions of Article XIII, Sections 1.a. and 1.b. of the Bylaws shall apply regarding the appointment of members. It is desirable that members of the Committee have: (1) A background and demonstrated interest in the areas of environmental planning and/or related natural resource management. (2) Past or present service on a committee or one of Connestee's natural resource related clubs.

Responsibilities and Duties of the Committee

In accordance with the provisions of the Bylaws cited above, the Natural Resources Stewardship Committee shall:

- Identify and prepare statements of the community's natural resources objectives, policies, and conflicts.
- Seek partners within the regional conservation, academic, and consulting community, including Connestee Falls members, to assist in completing a baseline resource inventory and assessment of Connestee Falls' natural communities, wildlife populations, as well as identification of natural resource threats, habitat restoration opportunities and safety hazards.
- Utilize the findings of the baseline resource inventory and assessment to prepare a Stewardship Plan, a "living document" which will guide integrated

long-term management and monitoring of the community's natural resources.

- Develop an educational program for community members to improve the understanding and appreciation of our natural resources and to cultivate community involvement in Committee initiatives.
- Assist the Board in the identification of critical natural resource issues and stewardship strategies.
- Coordinate its efforts with all key committees and clubs whose work impacts or is impacted by the efforts of the Committee.
- Update the Stewardship Plan biennially or at the Board's direction to assess stewardship successes and reevaluate needs.

Board Liaison

The Committee will be assigned a director of the association as non-voting ex-officio liaison. All communication to and from the Board of Directors shall be via the appointed liaison. In accordance with Section XIII.1.a of the Bylaws, the liaison director shall be determined by the Board.

Procedures

The Committee may establish guidelines and procedures for the conduct of its responsibilities and duties as cited above.

Records

The Committee shall prepare a written record of all meetings and significant actions in the form of summary notes. A copy of these notes shall be forwarded to the Administrative Office of the Association and to the Board liaison within a reasonable time following such meeting or action.

Support

Financial support of the Committee will be provided by the Association with the prior approval of the Board of Directors. Administrative support of the Committee will be provided by the Association in accordance with procedures established by the General Manager.

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