

CONSERVATION EASEMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

PURPOSE:

Manage the 29 (more or less) acres of woodland in the Conservation Easement (CE) area and all trails in other common areas.

GOALS:

Establish guidelines and procedures, which will enable the DVCA to monitor and maintain the CE according to the standards of the agreement, as well as for the enjoyment of the community.

MEMBERSHIP:

- Three to five members (whose terms are staggered to promote balance between the new and the experienced).
- Members shall serve a 3-year term.
- Qualifications:
 - a) A desire to serve the community
 - b) Enjoy working in a natural environment
 - c) Have the physical ability to periodically walk the boundaries of the Easement.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Become thoroughly knowledgeable about the terms of the CE agreement.
- Work closely with the Carolina Mountain Land Conservancy (CMLC), the Lake Management Committee (LMC), the Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC), and the Grounds Committee in managing the CE and protecting the wetlands areas.
- Discuss issues concerning the CE with CMLC as necessary.
- Schedule a meeting with the CMLC to coordinate yearly inspections.
- Educate DVCA residents concerning this policy as well as the restrictions of the CE.
- Be responsible for green spaces, feeder streams and all areas in a natural state not maintained by the Grounds or Lake Committees.
- Periodically walk the easement to observe violations of the agreement (dumping, tree cutting, and plant removal) and any hazards to residents.
- Work with the Board of Directors to establish goals for DVCA community use, such as, additional trails, picnic areas, etc.
- Consider any possible long-term problems and liabilities resulting from visitor familiarity with the property, since DVCA monitoring of the CE is not feasible.

MEETINGS:

- Meet quarterly and/or as needed.
- Submit a written report to the Board of Directors prior to each DVCA quarterly business meeting.
- Submit a written annual report to the Board of Directors prior to the DVCA year-end meeting.

BUDGET:

Submit an annual budget request for the forthcoming year to the finance committee chairperson at the time requested by the finance committee.

This Conservation Easement Management Committee Charter was approved by the DVCA Board of Directors on the 18th of May 2010.