Minutes of the Conservation Commission January 8, 2007

Present: LD: Lorraine DeSouza, Chairman CP: Christopher Picone,

AJ: Arthur Johanningsmeier CL: Catherine Laramie GH: Gary Howland, Associate

MH: Michael Horgan, Associate

LC: Lori Capone, Conservation Agent

7:30 LD opened the Meeting

 LD: Motion to approve the minutes of November 27, 2006 and December 11, 2006 CP: 2nd

Unanimous

7:31 BNE Realty & Development – Geoffrey Evancic – 79 Moore Road, Lot 6 – Notice of Intent: (Map 66, Parcel 58) Proposed construction of a single family house, paved driveway, septic system, well, and associated grading. A portion of the clearing and grading for the septic system and a retaining wall are located within 100 feet of a wetland. LD asked for abutters to join the discussion. Present were: Carmine and Phyllis Antidormi: 5 Log Cabin Road; Dave and Pat Barron: 22 Log Cabin Road; Gary and Michelle Kerins: 31 Hay Road. Michael Scott of Waterman Design, representing BNE Realty & Development who was not present, presented the project. LD questioned the tree line and asked that the plan be revised to reflect existing conditions. MH asked about drainage from the lot ponding on the septic system. Mr. Scott explained that the drainage is graded away from the system. Michelle Kerins requested the Commission visit the site. Mr. Antidormi of 5 Log Cabin Road asked if the Board of Health has approved the septic design. Mr. Scott was not sure. Mr. Antidormi stated that the proposed septic is within 100 feet of his well and also expressed concern over drainage and accessing the site from Log Cabin Road. LD: Motion to continue Hearing to January 22, 2007 at 8:00PM. $CP \cdot 2^{nd}$ Unanimous 4-0 LD: Motion to set up a site visit for Lots 1, 2, and 6 for January 20, 2007 at

10:00AM CP: 2nd

Unanimous 4-0

7:45(8:08) BNE Realty & Development – Geoffrey Evancic – 34 Ellis Road, Lot 2 – Notice of Intent: (Map 66, Parcel 58) Proposed construction of a single family house, paved driveway, septic system, well, and associated grading. A portion of the site grading and a riprap slope are located within the 100-foot buffer zone. LD asked for abutters to join the discussion. Present were: Carmine and Phyllis Antidormi: 5 Log Cabin Road; Dave and Pat Barron: 22 Log Cabin Road; Gary and Michelle Kerins: 31 Hay Road. Michael Scott of Waterman Design, representing

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BNE Realty & Development who was not present, presented the project. No construction is proposed with the riverfront area. LD asked if Board of Health has approved the septic design. Mr. Scott was not sure. Michelle Kerin questioned the grading and drainage. LD: Motion to continue the meeting to January 22, 2007 at 8:15PM. CP: 2nd

Unanimous 4-0

8:00(8:24) BNE Realty & Development – Geoffrey Evancic – 6 Ellis Road Road, Lot 1 – Notice of Intent: (Map 66, Parcel 58) Proposed construction of a single family house, driveway, well, septic system, retaining wall and associated grading. Portions of the house, driveway, well, septic system and grading are located within the 100-foot buffer zone and within the 200-foot Riverfront Area. LD asked for abutters to join the discussion. Present were: Carmine and Phyllis Antidormi: 5 Log Cabin Road; Dave and Pat Barron: 22 Log Cabin Road; Gary and Michelle Kerins: 31 Hay Road. Michael Scott of Waterman Design, representing BNE Realty & Development who was not present, presented the project. LC questioned the riverfront calculations and requested the application be revised to reflect Lot 1 impacts only. There was much discussion. LD: Motion to continue the Hearing to January 22, 2007 at 8:30PM. CP: 2nd

Unanimous 4-0

 8:15(8:40) Barbara Gale – 161 Ashby Road – Notice of Intent: (Map 64, Parcel 40, Lot 1) (Continued from 11/27/06) Proposed installation of a seasonal dock. The Gales were not present but LC explained that we were only awaiting the DEP number which we have received. LD: Motion to close the Hearing

CP: 2nd

Motion carried 3-0 (CL abstained as she was not present for the Hearing)

LD: Motion to issue an Order of Conditions contingent on the applicant receiving a satisfactory approval from the Waterway Program.

CP: 2nd

Motion carried 3-0 (CL abstained)

8:30(8:42) Sarah Culgin – 5 Cote Avenue – Notice of Intent: (Map 19, Parcel 2) (Continued from 11/27/06) Upgrade to the existing septic system with associated grading and utilities, within the buffer zone. The Culgins addressed the Commission. LC informed the Commission that the two outstanding issues were the issuance of a DEP number and placement of the dog fence. LC informed the Commission that DEP has issue a number with no further comment. There was much discussion. The Culgins agreed to place dog fence along the project side of the wetland. The Commission allowed the Culgins to mechanically remove the poison ivy and bramble located adjacent to the wetland. Erosion controls were

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agreed to be moved closer towards the wetland to fully encompass all disturbed areas. LD asked for abutters. There were none.

LD: Motion to close the Hearing and issue an Order of Conditions per revised plan and discussion.

CP: 2^{nd}

Motion carried 3-0 (CL abstained as she was not present for the previous Hearing)

8:45(9:02) Trustees of Cushing Academy - 39 School Street – Request for Determination of

Applicability: (Continued from 11/13/06 and 11/27/06) Proposed installation of rip-rap to protect a small portion of bank that is currently eroding, within the riverfront area. No one attended the meeting. LC said she sent an Agenda to Cushing's representative who also failed to attend the Commission's last Hearing regarding this application.

LD: Motion to close the Hearing and issue a Positive Determination of

Applicability CP: 2nd Motion carried 3-0 (CL: abstained as she was not present for the Hearing)

9:00(9:04) John Comeau – 14 Page Avenue – Notice of Intent: (Map 52, Parcel 115 & 161) Proposed replacement of the septic system within the buffer zone. Terry Gensel of David E. Ross Associates represented the applicant who was also present. LC questioned if there was an agreement with the abutter to put the erosion control barrier on his property. The applicant agreed

to move the erosion control barrier. LD suggested silt fence only for erosion control. Mr. Gensel changed the plan and agreed to get a revised plan to the Commission.

LD: Motion to close the Hearing CP: 2nd Unanimous 4-0 LD: Motion to issue an Order of Conditions per plan and discussion CL: 2nd Unanimous 4-0

9:15(9:19) Edwin Cooper – Lot 309 Blueberry Road – Notice of Intent: (Map 46, Parcel 12)

Proposed construction of a single family house, driveway, grading, and septic tank proposed within the buffer zone. Terry Gensel of David E. Ross Associates represented the applicant who was also present. Erosion controls were discussed and the applicant agreed to install silt fence and hay bales in the back of the property and silt fence only up the lot lines. The applicant has chosen to install porous pavers for the driveway. There was much discussion. Mr. Gensel changed the plan and agreed to get a revised plan to the Commission.

LD: Motion to close the Hearing and issue an Order of Conditions per amended plan and discussion.

CP: 2nd Unanimous 4-0

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Other Business:

- LC updated the Commission regarding a Superceding Order of Conditions for Lot A Tuckerman Road. The Commission requested LC contact DEP regarding status of the lot in reference to the River's Protection Act.
- GH updated the Commission on the Bush Hill Property particularly in refernce to the Conservation Restriction for Parcel 3. LD discussed two wells located on the property that need to be decommissioned.
 LD: Motion to accept the Conservation Restriction on Parcel 3 of the East-West portion of Bush Hill Town Forest.
 CL: 2nd
 Unanimous 4-0
- GH updated the Commission on the Baseline Document required for the Forest Legacy Grant on the Ashburnham Parcel Track 3. LD signed the Baseline Document for the Conservation Commission.
- ♦ GH updated the Commission on the Baseline Document for the Johnson Track. LD signed the

Baseline Document for the Conservation Commission.

- GH updated the Commission on the Russell Hill Property negotiations. The state does not want to hold the Conservation Restriction. The donor would like to condition the gift of land that if the Town decides to change the use of the property, they have to repay the Thibert's for the land plus interest. GH reminded the Commission their support is needed at Town Meeting on January 24th.
- LD: Motion to issue a Certificate of Compliance for 214 Hastings Road CL: 2nd Unanimous 4-0
- LC updated the Commission on a violation she saw at the Symonds Property on Lakeshore Drive, specifically the installation of a concrete block retaining wall.
 LD: Motion to have the land owner file an after-the-fact Notice of Intent for this work.
 CP: 2nd Unanimous 4-0
- LC updated the Commission on Cashman Hill Estates regarding the installation of the roadway crossing. LD mentioned the replication area is to be constructed in conjunction with the crossing.
- LC informed the Commission that Mr. Henrie on Williams Road has requested additional clearing than approved by the Order of Conditions. A site visit was set up for January 20, 2007 at 9:30am.

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LD: Motion to transfer \$8,102.76 from the Conservation Fee Account, #28000-31521, to the Salary & Wages Account, #02171-51100 for the purpose of paying the Conservation Agent's salary.
 CP: 2nd

Unanimous 4-0

- The Commission discussed revising the Fee Scheduled in the Rules and Regulations. The Commission made every effort to minimize fees on single family lot homeowners.
- LC informed the Commission that GCG Associates, Inc. requested permission to install a drainage line near the Highway Garage, for the Town. Most work is out of the buffer zone but the drainage will discharge into a resource area. There was discussion.
 LD: Motion to allow the project to proceed per plan with the condition that silt fence be installed at the outlet and work to proceed under LC's oversight.
 CP: 2nd
 Unanimous 4-0
- LD: Motion to get estimate to cap the wells on the Bush Hill Property. CP: 2nd Unanimous 4-0
- ✤ DEP forms were signed.

 CP: Motion to adjourn LD: 2nd Unanimous 4-0

Meeting adjourned at 11:06PM Minutes respectfully submitted by Lori Capone, Conservation Agent