

BLACKSTONE CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
JULY 14, 2011

James Plasse, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Senior Center of the Town Hall.

Present Were:

James Plasse
Maggie Plasse

Lisa Brita
Tamara Heiselmeyer

Absent Were:

James Pitler

Beverly Wilson

Ms. Jena Munoz of Attorney Patrick Costello's office was present concerning the Commission's adoption of the rules and regulations for the floodplain plans for the town. Ms. Munoz stated that the floodplain plans had not been updated by FEMA for the last twenty years. The Commission has to adopt the changes to the floodplain maps. Ms. Munoz said that the deadline to adopt the changes was July 4th and the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) has suspended the town. The Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will temporarily reinstate the town until the bylaw changes are adopted as stated. Ms. Munoz said that the Board of Health adopted their version on Tuesday night at their meeting.

Ms. Munoz said that the rules and regulations that the Commission will be adopting tonight are not specific to Blackstone. They are meant to be applied to all cities and towns. She said that at the Town Meeting changes can be voted on to make the bylaw more stringent.

Ms. Plasse made a motion to adopt the rules and regulations for the floodplain plans as written. Mrs. Heiselmeyer seconded the motion. The motion was passed by Unanimous Vote.

Mrs. Heiselmeyer made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 27th meeting with changes submitted by Ms. Plasse. Ms. Plasse seconded the motion. The motion was passed by Unanimous Vote.

The secretary's payroll sheet was signed by all members present.

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Under old business, Ms. Plasse said that Marc Daniels has been cutting beyond the signs, but not all the way into the wetlands. Mr. Plasse said that he would check it out before the next meeting.

Mrs. Brita made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Plasse seconded the motion. The motion was passed by Unanimous Vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa A. Larue
Secretary