Conservation Commission Meeting Town of Brookfield Minutes of November 5, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 PM. Present: Doug Vanderpool, Dick Peckham, Sang Curtis, John Nelson, Marilyn Bushman, Tom Giguere, Jennifer McKown, Lynn Kirby, and Craig Evans.

Dick moved that the minutes of the October 1, 2008 meeting be accepted as read. Tom seconded and passed unanimously.

The mail was reviewed. There was a brief discussion about an email Steve Patriquin sent to Dick and forwarded to other members.

Old Business: John suggested the public may need additional information about the Scenic Road signs recently installed. Craig will forward to John the requirements for submitting a news release to the *Granite State*.

Dick gave a report on the Brookfield Planning Board's most recent proceedings regarding the town's compliance with Senate Bill 342. He reviewed new actions the Planning Board is considering and said the board would most likely make its final decision at their next meeting. There was discussion among members.

Sang has attached the photographs to the Display Board and the map will indicate where some of the photos were taken. The board will be placed in the entry of the Town Hall for up coming events.

The Premo Wetlands Permit is complete.

New Business: Sang gave a verbal report on the 4 workshops she attended at the NHCC annual meeting. Shoreline protection, Land Use Change Tax, NH Native Plants, and Invasive Species – Problem plants and identification

Members received handouts on *Allocating Land Use Change Tax...* and *Legal Questions and Answers.* A discussion followed on Conservation Funds and Capital Reserve Funds. Dick asked, that prior to the next meeting, members refer to pages 2.6 and 2.7 in the *Handbook for New Hampshire's Municipal Conservation Commissions* to help clarify the differences between the funds.

Dick made a motion to empower the chair to summit to the Town Treasurer the bill of \$75 for payment of the dues to Moose Mountain Regional Greenways. Doug seconded and passed unanimously.

Nature Conservancy is doing work for Granit Mapping and contacted Dick about any additional conservational lands in Brookfield. Dick explained that he filled out the report pages and gave Nature Conservancy the map page numbers and parcel numbers for the additional conservation lands.

The Brookfield Website was discussed. Until the Conservation Commission page could be set up, the utilization of *under construction* was suggested for the CC tab. Tom agreed to write an introductory paragraph for the CC website.

Selectman Report: The Pot Luck Supper is on November 8, 2008. Craig said the town has received from the sale of Moose Plates a grant of \$5,055 to conserve town records.

The next regular meeting will be held on December 3, 2008 at 4 PM. John made a motion to adjourn, Doug seconded. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 PM.

Respectively submitted,

Lynn Kirby, Secretary