Conservation Commission Meeting Town of Brookfield Minutes of February 4, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 4:04 PM.

Present: Dick Peckham, Sang Curtis, John Nelson, Marilyn Bushman, Tom Giguere, Gerald Ciccarone, Lynn Kirby, and Craig Evans. Chairperson, Sang Curtis asked alternate, Tom Giguere to sit on the board as a voting member for the meeting.

Dick moved that the minutes of the January 7, 2009 meeting be accepted with corrections. John seconded and passed unanimously.

The mail was reviewed by the board. John made a motion that the Brookfield Conservation Commission pay the NHACC bill of \$175. Dick seconded and passed unanimously.

Old Business: The three warrant articles the CC presented to the selectmen are on the warrant. Gerald Ciccarone, presented a third warrant article to see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$500 to fund the CC; this fund will be from the general fund and not tied directly to Current Use Tax change collections by the town. Tom has written a press release – *Brookfield Residents to Vote on Two Conservation Articles* – and will send it to the Granite State News.

Craig presented the board with address labels for town residents. A discussion followed on the cost and feasibility of mailing an informational letter regarding the two warrant articles on the Conservation Fund. Instead of mailing information, it was decided that both the Breakfast on February 14 and Town Coffee on February 28 would afford opportunity to distribute written information and to discuss and answer questions about the 2 warrant articles.

Dick suggested that given the significance of the presentation at the town meeting the board should organize supporting view points to answer opposing views.

New Business: The CC has received a Forestry Notification from NHDES regarding timber cutting on the Adelaide Hughes Trust.

The selectmen have had a budget hearing and will be taking on a supervisory position for timber monitoring and excavation. On February 14, the selectmen are sponsoring a French Toast and Sausage Breakfast at the Town House to raise funds for Old Home Week. A Special Event Permit has been drafted by the selectmen and is being reviewed by an attorney.

The Planning Board has 4 proposed amendments to be voted on by ballot in March. Brookfield will follow state regulations for outside wood burning furnaces.

The February 4, 2009 meeting is the last meeting for Dick after serving on the CC for 2 terms. Doug will also be leaving the CC. Some discussion followed involving possible new members and a time change for the meetings.

The next regular meeting will be held on March 4, 2009 at 4 PM.

Lynn made a motion to adjourn and John seconded. Meeting adjourned at 5:50 PM.

Respectively submitted,

Lynn Kirby/Corrections made by John A. Nelson