

Conservation Commission minutes 15 Mar 2010

Members Present: Jim Fowler, Dick Holmes, Charlie St. Pierre, Steve Neill (ex officio)

Guests Present: Steve Dumont, Larry Crocker

called to order 7:05 by Dick Holmes (chair)

minutes of 15 Feb 2010 approved as corrected

- 1) Litter Free New Hampshire – This year we decided to accept 50 lilac bushes awarded for our town clean ups.
- 2) Town History Review – After discussion, CCC decided to add the logging of the Reservoir and Hall's Pond Lots, and the breaching of the lower dam at the Reservoir lot. Mr. Fowler will talk to Gary Bascom about who built the snow-mobile trail through Hubbard Hill State forest. The draft of the CCC's history, provided by Mr. Fowler, states the CCC received the permission for the trail, not who built it.
- 3) Upper Valley Trails Alliance – They are starting a data base of Upper Valley trails. If we sign up with the Alliance, our trails will be put on the data base. They'll take photos and GPS the trails. Motion made, seconded and passed to ask them for more information.
- 4) Upper Valley Land Trust – Peg Merren from Upper Valley talked with Mr. Holmes about a grant the Fort #4 organization was trying to get to put the fort in easement. She wants to talk with the CCC on the process. Steve Neill pointed out that the Fort is already a special zone which doesn't allow construction.
- 5) Adopt-a-highway – Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> 8:00A.M at firehouse. Fall Mountain ROTC will be helping.
- 6) Wind Storm damage – Mr. Fowler briefed the CCC on the damage to Reservoir Lot Trail, Hall's Pond Trail, Connecticut River State Forest trail. Members of the CCC will meet Sunday 21 March 9:00 at the Reservoir lot trailhead and start repairs.
- 7) Correspondence – Mr. Holmes reviewed correspondence received since last meeting including;
  - a) letter from DES with changes to the Hemingway's permit request including increasing the culvert from a 5' to an 6' squashed culvert. They have until 28 March to reply.
  - b) letter from DES to Dean and Rachel Vanier of Canaan N.H. regarding 241 Lovers Lane property. A complaint was filed with the DES and they inspected – a tracked vehicle passed through a wetlands causing some ground compacting and erosion. DES made recommendation to cease and desist. They will not be taking any enforcement actions.

adjourned 7:49 P. M.

minutes submitted by Jim Fowler secretary

minutes approved by Dick Holmes chair

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Dick Holmes

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