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Conservation Commission Minutes **April 27, 2009**

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Vice Chair, Marilyn Pike
Members present: Juan Amodei, Alan Chaney, Jeff Haight and Bill Moeller
Member absent: Judy Larter and Leah Basbanes
Meeting held: At the Dunstable Town Hall, lower level

Scott Melancon – High Street

Mr. Melancon came to the meeting at the request of the Conservation Commission. The Commission had sent a letter to his mother regarding materials in a potential wetland area. Mr. Melancon explained that he put sand in a low area of the yard that contains an old culvert so that it would be easier for him to mow. Alan told Mr. Melancon that the Commission needed to know if the area was in fact a wetland before deciding what, if anything needed to be done to rectify the situation. The Commission set up a site visit for Saturday, May 2nd at 9:00am. This will be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

Meeting Minutes

Juan made a motion to accept the meeting minutes, as submitted, from the April 13th meeting. Jeff 2nd the motion. – Motion passed with Bill Moeller abstaining.

Bills

The one bill for \$4.22 for certified mail was signed. The Commission discussed that they wanted the Secretary to look into a town charge or some way that the Secretary can do business with the Post Office without spending her own personal funds. Alan suggested that she call the Town of Groton to get ideas on how they handle the situation.

Dan Locapo – Lower Dam Way – Removal of Trees

The Commission sent a letter to Mr. Locapo allowing him to remove some damaged trees on his property. Marilyn told members that since the site visit, Russ Cohen had sent a letter stating that removal of all the trees seemed drastic.

Graffiti Remover

Jeff brought in some material regarding graffiti remover for the rocks on Blanchard Hill. The Secretary will look into the price of purchasing a 50 gallon drum of an eco-friendly product.

Land Trust

Alan mentioned that Steven Small came to the Land Trust to speak about preserving family lands. Alan went on to say that this may result in additional Conservation Restrictions.



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Self-Help Grant

Alan and Leah met with Lyle Carter regarding the parcel on Hardy Street. Leah will contact Rich Larkin regarding a purchase and sale contract. In the meantime, Leah and the Secretary are starting the application process for the self-help.

Motion was made, seconded, and passed to adjourn the meeting at 8:23pm. The next meeting for the Conservation Commission will be held on Monday, May 11th at 7:30pm, downstairs at the Dunstable Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann
Secretary – Conservation Commission