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## **Conservation Commission Minutes** **Monday, September 10, 2012**

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Leah Basbanes  
Members present: Jeff Haight, Alan Chaney, Juan Amodei, Judy Larter, Bill Moeller & Marilyn Pike  
Meeting held: At the Dunstable Town Hall– 511 Main Street-lower level– Grange Room

### **Meeting Minutes – August 13, 2012**

Alan made a motion to approve the meeting minutes, as submitted, from the August 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. Jeff 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed with Bill abstaining from the vote.

### **Review and Sign Bills**

Alan made a motion to sign the invoice in the amount of \$6.85 for certified mail. Bill 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

### **Review and/or Sign Payroll**

Alan made a motion to sign the Secretary's payroll slip. Bill 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

### **431 Forest Street – McNamara - Restoration of Backyard**

Leah will go out to the McNamara residence to see if the restoration of the backyard has been completed.

### **Flat Rock Hill Culvert**

Members discussed that the newly installed culvert at Flat Rock Hill is not working properly which has caused an issue with erosion and sediment downstream. Leah asked members to go out to the site and assess the damage before the next meeting. At that point the contractor will be asked to meet at the site to propose a solution.

### **Knotweed Control**

The Secretary will contact Michael Barry for a date for the herbicide application.

### **Dana Rusnak – Hall Street/Lake Street - 30 Acre Parcel**

Ms. Rusnak, daughter of Diane Lewis, called the office regarding a 30 acre parcel between Hall Street and Lake Street that belonged to the Lewis'. She is thinking about selling the property and contacted the Conservation Commission to see if we would be interested in purchasing the land. Alan walked the property which is mostly flat and gravel based. He said that there is a wetland (possibly a kettle hole) that feeds the



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brook which flows through Spaulding Proctor. The parcel includes the historic railroad bed and is abutting conservation property. Entry to the lot on Hall Street is steep but there may be an access easement on Lake Street. Ms. Rusnak does not know the current value of the property and is planning on getting it appraised. Members agreed that Alan should continue to pursue discussions with Ms. Rusnak regarding the possible purchase of this parcel.

### **Additional Topics Discussed Not Noted on the Agenda**

#### **High Street – Philip Nyman Property**

Leah told members that she had been contacted by a representative for Mr. Nyman regarding building on his one acre High Street parcel. The area is wet with a pocket of upland in the rear of the lot. Leah has been out to the site with the firm that is looking to do perk testing. She also talked with the company that is laying out the placement of the house on the lot. She advised them to attend a meeting for further discussion.

#### **Mr. Bernard – Forest Street**

Mr. Bernard picked up the Abbreviated Notice of Intent form a week ago. The Commission has not received the filing as of yet. Members will discuss this at the next meeting if the filing has not been received.

Alan made a motion to adjourn at 8:05pm. July 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously. The next meeting of the Dunstable Conservation Commission will be held on Monday, September 24, 2012 at 7:30pm at the Dunstable Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann  
Secretary  
Dunstable Conservation Commission