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**Conservation Commission Minutes**  
**Monday, February 22, 2016**

Approved: March 14, 2016

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

**Question on Possible Subdivision of Land – Chris Bertrand - 489 Forest Street**

Mr. Bertrand, his son Chris and Bob Guersey attended the meeting to discuss a possible subdivision of land creating a backland lot on Forest St. Black Brook runs throughout the property which makes placement of the house challenging. The USGS map shows the brook to be perennial although Mr. Bertrand said that it does go dry in the summer. Leah said that it would be up to Mr. Bertrand to go through the procedure to prove the stream is intermittent. Leah also wants a stream stat evaluation completed on the lot. Mr. Bertrand will return once it is determined if the brook is perennial or intermittent.

**Meeting Minutes of January 25, 2016**

Bill made a motion to approve, as submitted, the minutes of the January 25<sup>th</sup> meeting. Jeff 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

**Bills and Payroll**

Judy made a motion to approve the expenditure of up to \$109.90 for a sign for the Miller CR. Jeff 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

**Miller Conservation Restriction LAND Grant Update**

The Secretary told members that she will be ordering the sign soon that is required by the state for the grant. Since the project was moved to this fiscal year, the Secretary is waiting for the state to return the approved paperwork. Attorney Larkin is working on the Conservation Restriction. The Secretary sent the Land Use and Management document to members two weeks ago for review. No changes were made.

**Westford Street Conservation Restriction Update**

Judy made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$2,500 from the Conservation Fund to pay for the appraisal of the Westford Street CR. Jeff 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed with Alan abstaining from the vote. The Secretary told members that Leah has meetings scheduled with the Finance Committee, Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board. The Secretary is waiting for the Agricultural Commission to get back to her on



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scheduling a meeting time with them. Leah asked the Secretary to call Al Horton to remind him.

### **Odor on Main Street**

The Nashoba Board of Health agent sent pictures to the Commission showing a mystery swamp fungus/algae in water on Main Street. DEP was contacted and they feel the materials are from a discharge of organic matter. The Department of Agriculture was contacted to see if it could be caused by one of the local cow farms. The Secretary will contact the BOH for an update.

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

Jeff made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:08pm, Bill 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. - Motion passed unanimously. The next meeting of the Dunstable Conservation Commission is scheduled for Monday, March 14, 2016, 7:30pm at the Dunstable Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann  
Secretary  
Dunstable Conservation Commission