

September 1, 2011
Enfield Conservation Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM

Minutes from the July meeting have not been finalized.

Attendance: Gary Gaudette, Shirley Green, Jeanine King, Alan Strickland.

August minutes: Jeanine King made a motion to approve the August minutes with corrections. Shirley Green seconded the motion. Motion passed.

In passing: Chairman Strickland drove to Boy's Camp Bridge during hurricane Irene to determine where the greatest amount of silt was entering the Brook. The parking area side had the most runoff entering the trail and then the stream. After the storm, Strickland, with the aid of a shovel, dug a ditch diverting the water into the woods so as to try to filter water before it enters the brook. Shirley Green and Alan Strickland will meet with Jim Taylor on September 6th at 4:00PM to see what can be done to reduce sedimentation into Crystal Lake at the Boys Camp Road bridge.

Strickland, representing the Commission, is on the agenda for the selectmen's meeting, September 13th to present the idea of a management plan for the town forest.

Strickland attended the State of the NH loons address at the Canaan Street Meeting House, August 24, 2011. 55% of the death of adult loons comes because of ingesting lead sinkers used by fisherman. Mascoma and Crystal Lake Associations routinely inform fishermen of the hazards of using lead. Boat launches will be checked to see if there are warnings on lead sinkers.

Old Business: Hypertherm volunteers will repair bridges on Suki's Marsh on September 13th.

Possible shoreline violations on Crystal Lake are ongoing.

Sewer Line Trail: Due to the heavy rains from hurricane Irene, mowing the grass on the sewer line along Route 4-A has been put on hold. Conditions will be monitored during the fall to see if mowing can be done.

Strickland and Peter Helm from the UVLT kayaked (8/5/11) to the Hardy Wetlands Riverside Landing to assess putting in chain and ladder steps to facilitate climbing and descending the riverbank for the purpose of lessening erosion. Process is ongoing.

Strickland met with Jim Taylor to look at a construction project to repair a sag in the sewer line at Shaker Village. Strickland signed the Minimum Impact Expedited Application.

Budget: The budget to date was presented. The Commission has several big expenses coming due in September, bush hogging, Northern Rail Trail, and lumber for Suki's Marsh bridge repair. Some of these expenses may qualify to be paid out from the Conservation Fund. Strickland will check.

New Business: Strickland presented the commission with a packet that he put together to inform new lakefront owners the rules and regulations of NH Shoreline Protection Act. Shirley Green said that the Crystal Lake Association does this already, and there is no need to duplicate this effort. Strickland then asked Gary Gaudette about the Mascoma Lake Association efforts to welcome and inform new lakefront owners. Gary said they have a newsletter, but no formal information packet. The Commission will send packets out to all new owners on Mascoma Lake. Gary and Jeanine will work on a cover letter. Jeanine will see what Spectacle Pond has in place for new owners.

Adjourn: Jeanine made a motion to adjourn. Gary Gaudette seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:05PM

Respectfully submitted by Alan Strickland