

Enfield Conservation Commission Minutes
November 1, 2007

Present: Alan Strickland, Chairman, Joan Fishman, Gary Gaudette, Fred Paradis

Absent: Shirley Green, Sue Hagerman, Don Crate (Selectboard member)

Guest: Don Rathburn – contractor for homeowner Map 18, Lot 47 on Route 4A

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Alan Strickland.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Gary Gaudette and seconded by Alan Strickland to approve the minutes of the October 4th meeting.

Intent to Cuts:

1. Hardy Road – Map 15 Lots 15, 15-1, 15-2, 15-3, 16, 16-2
This is the property that the ECC voted in 2005 to donate monies to assist with the funding of a conservation easement with the stipulation that there be public access. Alan asked Fred to kayak by the site to determine if there is public access and to monitor the logging.
2. Shaker Hill Rd – Map 25 Lot 39 Holland
Located at corner of Kluge and Shaker Hill Roads, near swamp and prime wetlands. Alan will monitor.
3. Potato & Lockhaven Road – Map 13 Lots 26-1, 26-2, 17-22
Cutting 300 of 393 acres. Society for Protection of Forest property. Fred to monitor.
4. Shaker Hill Rd – Map 11 Lot 17 Hettleman
Cut 150 or 200 acres partially the result of blow down

Correspondence:

1. DES to Charles and Janet Morgan on Bridge St – Dock must be kept the same size as existing dock
2. DES to Farewell – Need to resubmit application

Old Business:

1. Lot 45 Recycling Center at Bicknell Brook Property – still in limbo
2. DPW Site Status – there has been some confusion over hours it is open for yard waste. That should now be straightened out

3. Motel Property Status – Town will keep mowed. Selectboard is supposed to discuss at their meeting on Monday, November 5th

New Business:

1. UV Trails Alliance – Alan proposed we join. The \$30/year would give us 8 hours of consulting. A motion was made by Joan Fishman and seconded by Gary Gaudette to join. Motion passed.
2. Copy Town's original tax lot map in color for use at meetings. Alan said this would cost \$50. A motion was made by Joan Fishman and seconded by Fred Paradis to copy the maps if there is no copy at the DPW building that we could use during meetings. Motion passed.
3. Mosquito Habitat – There was discussion of how to inform the public about reducing the habitat for mosquitoes to breed. Since this is a public health issue, it was decided in the spring we should contact Phil Neely, Town Health Officer, about this.
4. Shaker Mountain – There is a culvert that is plugged near the Shaker Feast grounds which resulted in the stone wall and the supporting stone work underneath being washed out. Alan has spoken with Brian Lemere, State Fish and Game, and Michael O'Connor and Galen Beale of the Shaker Museum. Alan will be joining them on Sunday, November 4th to look at the site for historical value and to determine if it is worth fixing.
5. Dan Rathburn – Representing homeowner on Route 4A, map 18 lot 47. Application to DES to fix a retaining wall that is deteriorating and replace it with concrete. The ECC recommended that a silt fence to prevent erosion be added to the plan. Mr. Rathburn will fix the application and drop it off at Town Hall. A motion was made by Alan Strickland and seconded by Gary Gaudette to approve the plan after the silt fence was added. Mr. Rathburn was instructed to ask that Alan be called to sign the application after it is dropped off at Town Hall.

A motion to adjourn was made by Joan Fishman and seconded by Alan Strickland. The meeting was adjourned at 805 pm.