

Conservation Commission Minutes
5/4/2006

The meeting was called to order at 7:08pm by Alan Strickland substituting as Chair for Leigh Davis.

PRESENT: Joan Fishman, Sue Hagerman, Shirley Green, Fred Paradis, Curtis Payne (Selectboard member), Alan Stickland, Jim Taylor (Zoning Administrator), Tim Leniham (alternate)

GUESTS: Henry & Sally (?) Cross, Dominic Albanese (Selectman), Nancy Scovner (Selectman), Steve Schneider (Town Manager)

EXCUSED: Leigh Davis

ABSENT: Gary Gaudette

APPROVAL of MINUTES of MARCH 2, 2006:

One correction was noted. Fred Paradis name should not have an "e" on the end.

Motion was made by Shirley Green to approve the minutes with the correction. Fred Paradis seconded. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Gary Gaudette was absent so there was no treasurer's report.

Alan Strickland suggested that Leigh Davis contact Gary to determine if he is going to continue in the position.

PUBLIC FORUM:

None of the non members present wished to speak during the Public Forum.

CORRESPONDENCE and DISCUSSION:

1. DES: File #2006-00400 Cross – 14 Hawley Drive Restoration Plan

Henry Cross was present. He stated that everything has been worked out with DES. The project has been completed and State approval was obtained at each step.

2. DES: File# 2006-00027 - Bog Road – 2 letters (Donald Hardwick, Jr. and Art Conkey, Jr. re Map showing Prime Wetlands

Jim Taylor said that DES and forest ranger did not think there were as many prime wetlands as map shows. The map is in the process of being corrected. The owners have filed a minimal wetlands impact permit.

3. DES: File# 2006-00406 - Ken Daniels – Town of Enfield

Jim Taylor stated that permits were issued by DES at 4pm on Thursday, May 4 for the work on Oak Grove Road and Whaleback.

4. DES: File #2006-00042 – Mr. Hall 69 May St

Jim Taylor stated that this has been approved. The State is waiting for payment. Fred Paradis asked if the issue with Edwards (neighbor) has been resolved. Jim Taylor said that Mr. Edwards

missed window of opportunity to object to subdivision.

5. DES: File #2006-00228 – Mr. Shopland Crystal Lake
Jim Taylor stated that this has been approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Septic System on Crystal Lake: Fred Paradis asked about the bad septic system on Crystal Lake. Jim Taylor stated that the State took 10 samples and all tested negative.

2. ATV Traffic on Shaker Mountain: Alan Strickland said he was approached by Jim Martell about ATV traffic on Shaker Mountain. Alan stated that there was no ATV traffic on State property.

3. Bicknell Brook – Where do we go from here.

Steve Schneider, Enfield Town Manager, said that the Upper Valley Land Trust wants to close on Monday, May 08, 2006. The Town (Selectboard & Town Manager) approves of the document. Steve Schneider has spoken with James Paxton of the Upper Valley Land Trust (UVLT). The Selectboard members said that they had tightened up some items on the document including that the Town of Enfield is authorized to use motor vehicles on the property, overnight camping restrictions and that if there is any third party dumping the burden of cleanup falls to the UVLT and the third party. The Selectboard will sign the document during their meeting on Monday, May 08, 2006.

Alan Strickland asked about the trailer and scrap metal currently on the site. The Selectboard agreed to get rid of the trailer, concrete and other scrap on the site.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Permit by Notification for Dock & Boat Lift at 412 Shake Blvd – Scott MacDonald & ? Axten
The document was handed to Alan Strickland just before the meeting. The Commission thought that it looked like the same document that was presented in 2005 and wondered if it was a resubmittal. Based on quick review, the Commission was not sure if it met DES limits. The Commission could not find information on materials to be used or impact on shoreline. The Commission decided that we need to look at it during the June 1 meeting.

Sue Hagerman moved that Leigh Davis write a letter to DES requesting that they not act until the Enfield Conservation Commission has time to look more closely at the current document and compare it to the 2005 document. Joan Fishman seconded. Motion passed. Alan Strickland will contact Leigh Davis requesting she write the letter.

2. Greenup Day – Saturday, May 20

Alan Strickland asked if there were any activities on that day that the ECC needs to be present at. Alan also stated that all trails the ECC is responsible for have been cleared. These are Colette, Bicknell Brook and Cole Pond trails.

Fred Paradis said that the rail trail needs cleanup along the Mascoma River from the property owned by the Enfield Village Association (EVA) to Mascoma Lake.

3. Farmers Market

Commission concensus was that at the June meeting we should discuss setting up at the Farmers Market. Shirley Green said she has access to Enviroscope, an interactive demonstration of watersheds, and could get it to use at the Farmer's Market.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Sue Hagerman to adjourn, seconded by Shirley Green and passed by the Commission. Meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM.