Town of Francestown Conservation Commission

APPROVED MINUTES

March 5, 2007

- 1. A regular meeting of the Conservation Commission was held in the Town Offices on Monday, March 5, 2007 and called to order at 7:40 p.m.
- 2. The minutes of the 2/12/07 meeting were approved as amended.

Announcements

- More than 60 new updates to the GRANIT database have been submitted for the towns of Francestown, Greenfield and Lyndeborough.
- There are major changes being proposed to the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act; see the DES website for details.

Old Business

3. The Commission discussed the Scenic Road Hearing to be held on 3/6, and asks that the Planning Board consider alternate ways to route the PSNH circuit along the NH Turnpike North to the Cersosimo subdivision, for example burying the wires underground or zig-zagging the wires back and forth across the road, in order to lessen the number of mature trees that would need to be cut and thus better preserve the forest canopy and its diversity of avian wildlife.

New Business

- 4. The annual Earth Day event is planned for April 22, at the beginning of school vacation week. A group trash pick-up is planned, possibly involving the Girl Scouts again this year.
- 5. The Commission discussed its priorities in developing an Open Space Plan for the Master Plan revision, in order to preserve large unfragmented areas of undeveloped land.
- 6. Mark Correnti announced that he would need to resign from the Board, as he is moving to New Boston. Mark shared his thoughts with the Board on preventing the onrushing tide of development from rising into and swamping Francestown.
- 7. The board has received forester Ron K's proposed Forest Management Plan development proposal for Shattuck Pond, with a proposed budget not to exceed \$3200. The selectmen have signed off on the proposal, which will allow Ron to begin work.
- 8. Shuffleton moved to adjourn at 10:30 p.m. Lindgren seconded the motion. All in favor.

Conservation Commission Attendees: Carbee, Correnti, Hardwick, Lindgren, Reimer, Shuffleton.

Respectfully Submitted, Bob Lindgren, Secretary