

# **Town of Frankestown Conservation Commission**

## APPROVED MINUTES

September 14, 2009

A regular meeting of the Conservation Commission was held in the Town Offices on Monday, September 14, 2009 and called to order at 7:33 p.m.

Conservation Commission members in attendance: Carbee, Freese, Hardwick, Holmes, Lindgren, Shuffleton. Secretary Lindgren took the minutes.

### **Old Business**

1. John Springer and Russ Putnam, representing SBA Properties, and Audra Klumb of A&D Klumb Environmental LLC, presented SBA's new plans for extending the access road to their Cell Tower site on Crotched Mountain. SBA has applied to the ZBA for a Special Exception for a Wetlands Crossing, and a Variance for a Steep Slope District Road Crossing, in support of their plan to increase the height of the tower to accommodate additional telecom suppliers, including AT&T as part of its regional PDS service roll-out. The ZBA requested that the Conservation Commission review these new plans and report back to the ZBA at its October 8, 2009 hearing, if possible, with an opinion. In support of this request, the Conservation Commission scheduled a site-walk on Saturday, September 26 at 9:00 a.m.
2. The ZBA also will consider a septic system variance request from Montgomery on Pleasant Pond, and requested that the Conservation Commission review the plans and report back to the ZBA at its October 8, 2009 hearing, if possible, with an opinion. A site-walk was scheduled for September 19 at 10:00 a.m.
3. The Commission discussed the merits of a proposed wireless facility for which the Planning Board has received an application for Site Plan Review. Applicant is New Cingular Wireless/AT&T - Case #09-SP-3 located on Dennison Pond Rd, Map 6, Lot 61-2. The board did not see any issues with the site plan as proposed. If the location of the curb cut and driveway were moved closer to the wetland, then there would be a possible conflict with the wetland setback requirements. The removal of a portion of the stone boundary wall for a driveway and curb cut would be permitted as long as a Driveway Permit were first obtained.
4. The Piscataquog River land protection project is moving forward, and will apparently require subdivision approval from the Planning Board.
5. The Dinsmore Brook land protection project is moving forward. A full application to LCHIP is anticipated, for which a Natural Resource Assessment will be required. Lindgren made a motion to hire Bill Nichols to spend up to \$500 for a Natural Resource Inventory for the LCHIP application, payable from the Conservation Fund. Freese seconded the motion. All in favor.
6. The Murray Memorial Contribution Fund donations currently total around \$1400.
7. The status of various other easement projects and protection opportunities was discussed

### **New Business**

8. The Board discussed whether it might accept an executory interest in the Lord Farm easement, as the Harris Center currently holds it secondarily to the FLT, and would like to transfer that interest.

The Board agreed that it would be willing to accept an executory interest, upon public hearing and approval of the Board of Selectmen.

9. Thanks to Jeff Tarr and Ron Klemarczyk who are donating their time to select, mark and harvest the necessary pines in the Shattuck Pond Town Forest for use in constructing the new Francestown Vehicular Museum. Only about 12-14 trees will be required. Tree selection will focus on trees that are just past their peak value.
10. Freese moved to adjourn at 9:25 p.m. Lindgren seconded the motion. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Bob Lindgren, Secretary