Town of Francestown Conservation Commission

PROPOSED MINUTES

April 6, 2009

A regular meeting of the Conservation Commission was held in the Town Offices on Monday, April 6, 2009 and called to order at 7:37 p.m.

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

The proposed minutes of the 2/2/09 meeting were accepted with one spelling correction.

Old Business

- 1. The Duck Boxes were cleaned out and the shavings replenished in the Crotched Mountain Town Forest wetlands. Thanks to volunteers including Chair Hardwick, Jeff Tarr and Don Shuffleton. They noted it seemed to have been a very successful year from analyzing the hatched membranes. Only one of the 9 boxes had unhatched eggs.
- 2. Chris Danforth has submitted a DES Minimum Expedited wetlands permit application for the Pleasant Pond culvert replacement. The proposed Crotched Mt. Resort culvert replacement by Rt 136 and Schoolhouse Road will not be Minimum Expedited.
- 3. The status of various easement projects and protection opportunities was discussed

New Business

- 4. Sophomore Elsa Lindgren, a member of the 2009 ConVal Envirothon team, described this year's all-state high school competition which is a land preservation project nearby in Antrim. Four-fifths of this year's team is from Francestown, and the Board gave them certain advice regarding local expert contacts they can question in the development of their proposal and presentations.
- 5. Carbee made motions to elect the following officers for the coming year: Chair: Betsy Hardwick; Vice-Chair: Don Crooker; Treasurer: Ron Reimer; Secretary: Bob Lindgren. Each motion was seconded by Don Shuffleton, and passed unanimously.
- 6. A Trail Clean-up Day will be held Sunday, April 26th. The Joan Hanchett Series Lecture will take place Sunday, May 3 1-3 pm featuring David Trumbell, with roadside clean up following.
- 7. Crooker moved to adjourn at 9:10 p.m. Danforth seconded the motion. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted, Bob Lindgren, Secretary