Jaffrey Conservation Commission Draft Minutes

April 25, 2012

Present: Nora Barton Bryant

Nancy Beiter

Carolyn Garretson

Bill Graf

Patricia Weiner

Don MacIsaac, Selectboard Representative

Absent: Michael George, Ron Rogstad, Alternate

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM. Don MacIsaac was welcomed as the Con Com's new Select Board Representative.

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as corrected.

I. Budget - CG advised that \$3.45 in interest was earned. The current balance is \$32,988.33 with \$909 committed to CPCA. CG requested that the members who attended "Saving Special Places" submit receipts for fees paid in order to receive reimbursement.

II. Followup Items

- A. Update on the McElvie easement MG and NB will appear before the Select Board at its next meeting for acceptance of the easement. In relation to this, it was determined that the Town had previously waived legal obligation/interest in easements of other organizations.
- B. Children's Woods kiosks and brochures The kiosks will be put up in the next two weeks. Brochure issue is still pending.
- C. NB will complete information re: mailing methods and costs to mail fund request letters to Jaffrey citizens to raise the small amount still needed for costs connected to he Shattuck easement.
- D. NB related her experiences in this year's "Saving Special Places" workshops. Her workshops included "Legal Nuts and Bolts" and "Enforcing Easements against Violation". She recommended that everyone

attend future sessions whether or not they have done so previously.

- E. BG has spoken to the elementary/middle schools regarding Camp Wildwood scholarship candidates. The school will give us at least one candidate's name.
- F. MG, BG, and CG will do this year's monitoring of the Grey Goose easements. The baseline document from 2011 will be use as comparison.
 - G. We currently have no prospective new members.

III. New Business

- A. CG recommended the use of Vernal Stewards and also that Con Com solicit requests from landowners for assistance with identification of invasive species. This will be discussed further.
- B. NB, CG and NBB, have arranged for Ben Killon to present a program about bears on August 14 at the Women's Club building. Con Com will need a \$25 deposit towards the venue rental fee of \$100.
- C. Some discussion was held regarding how "rule breakers" are monitored (e.g. involving wetlands, timber cuts). DM advised that timber cuts require permits. Con Com can check for such permits as well as building applications and permits at the Town Office.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM. The next meeting will be held on May 25 at the Town Offices.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Weiner