Lee Conservation Commission Minutes of Meeting of September 7, 2010

Present:

Members: Laura Gund, Antoinette Hartgerink, Bill Humm (Chair), David Meeker, Richard Weyrick,

Emeritus Member

Ex Officio: Laurel Cox, Land Protection and Community Development

Visitors: Dr. Alan Eaton, Fred Schultz

Approval of Previous Minutes: Minutes of meeting held on August 2, 2010, approved as written. **Updates and Announcements:**

LCC Bank Balance: The balance in the LCC account as of August 31, 2010, was \$14,229.21 composed

of

LCC Funds \$10,857.46 Dave Allan Fund \$3,371.75

Easement Monitoring: In the past month the easements of Riverside Farm, Jenkins, James Farm, Humphrey, and Echo Ridge were visited. No violations of easement agreements were found. L. Gund presented the preliminary schedule for the coming month.

Draft Management Plan for Town Forest Complex: The public presentation will be held at the Safety Complex on Tuesday, September 28. In addition to the usual announcements there will be notices at the Library and Transfer Station and handouts will be available at the Lee Fair. A. Hartgerink will prepare and circulate a draft announcement.

Land Protection: L. Cox presented a summary of current and proposed land protection activities. **Old Business**:

Maud Jones Memorial Forest: The public presentation of the management plan was reviewed and LCC expressed its appreciation to R. Weyrick and Don Quigley for the excellent work they did in preparing and presenting the plan. B. Humm will send a copy of the current plan to SPNHF for their review. The procedure for the adoption of the plan was discussed. The alternatives discussed were a) LCC adoption alone, b) adoption by the Board of Selectmen alone, or c) both a) and b). It was decided that LCC would adopt the plan and that B. Humm will request adoption by the BOS when he meets with them in mid-October with the intention of completing option c).

Inclusion of Lamprey River Tributaries and Oyster River in NH River Program: B. Humm reported that the BOS have written a letter of support for the Oyster River and are considering another letter in support of the Lamprey River tributaries.

Trail in Lee Five Corners: B. Humm noted that a portion of the proposed trail extends across private property and, for this reason, some type of formal action needs to be taken before the final location of the trail is determined. It was decided that he should contact the Town's attorney to discuss the next step in the process. In the discussion D. Weyrick noted that that portion of the trail is in one of the most unstable portions along the trail. Several issues related to this issue were discussed.

New Business:

Biological Inventory of Lee Five Corners and Garrity Reserve: Dr. Alan Eaton presented a copy of the biological inventory he has just completed. He requests funds from LCC for printing a number of copies. After some discussion it was decided that he should obtain quotes for the printing of 15 or 20 copies of the inventory and that LCC would provide the necessary funds.

Variance Request for 87 Demeritt Avenue: Fred Schultz seeks to construct a gravel parking lot for two cars that will extend some 20 feet from the existing building. After examining the plans and discussing the situation it was decided that no encroachment of wet soils will occur. A. Hartgerink will inform the ZBA through Caren Rossi of this conclusion.

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•	David Meeker	