MOULTONBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF 10/3/2011

Meeting opened at 7pm, Members Present: Marie Samaha, Chair, Bob Patenaude, Sec., Bill Gassman, Herb Farnham, Peter Jensen.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved unanimously

PERMITS/APPLICATIONS: Marie discussed site visits performed since last meeting. Specifically complaint regarding DeVito's driveway. She called Ms. DeVito and told her to contact DES for their input on whether she needed a permit. Marie also mentioned Castle Preservation Society Gatehouse drainage problem.

NON-PUBLIC: The Conservation Commission voted to enter a Non-Public Session to discuss properties of interest to the town.

SUB WATERSHED: Marie discussed the high points of the Moultonborough Bay Inlet Sub watershed meeting that she, Bill and Herb attended. (\$200,000.00 may be available for 4 out of 7 studies. Bill mentioned that the Commission will hear in approximately 3 weeks if grant has been awarded).

MILFOIL UPDATE:

Peter said divers are still pulling root balls. Bill mentioned the results of an Underwater Survey that show milfoil growing in deeper areas, especially Green's Basin.

OPEN SPACE AWARD: Marie presented a new form in which she has modified the criteria for the awards, and asked for feedback from the members.

MPIC UPDATE: Bob mentioned there was no new activity of the Board.

BUDGET: Marie showed a copy of the 2011 budget, and mentioned that she was advised by the Town Administrator to maintain the same budget for 2012. Discussion ensued as to how the new budget would apply to special items such as Lake Monitoring testing and Special Investigative Services (mitigation projects). Also how and when do we begin the "Education Process" to inform town residents, especially waterfront property owners on the value of not polluting the lake. Bill will write a blurb to enclose in the town newsletter which accompanies tax bills.

CONSERVATION EASEMENTS: Herb talked about the possibility of the Humer property becoming a conservation area. It was determined that the Commission requires more details on the property status. Marie contacted LRCT to determine how we should proceed. Discussion ensued as to how compensation should be handled.. Requires more info.

MEMBERSHIP: Peter mentioned that John Oliver was interested in becoming an alternate. Marie will contact him.

MONITORING CON COM LANDS: Peter presented his documents concerning his visit to the Hoyt Hill/Shaker Jerry Rds parcels (3.3 acres).

COMPLAINTS: Marie asked for input as to how complaints from property owners should be handled. In future meetings we will attempt to define what are the Con Com's responsibilities, and when the Code Enforcement Officer has to be involved.

CORRESPONDENCE: NHACC conference on Nov 5th, and Taking Action for Wildlife Oct 19th.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM Next meeting will be 11/7/2011 in the Land Use Office of the Town Hall at 7 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Bob Patenaude, Secretary