MOULTONBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF 11/5/2012

Meeting opened at 6:30 PM, members present: Marie Samaha; Chair, Bob Patenaude; Sec., Bill Gassman, Peter Jensen, Absent: Herb Farnham, Alt John Oliver, Alt Ed. Harrington.

Others present: Bruce Woodruff, Scott Kinmond, Donna Kuethe, Nancy Wright, Hollis Austin.

Minutes of previous meeting were unanimously approved. Peter made the motion, seconded by Bill

ACQUISITION OF PARCEL: Bruce talked about Mud Pond property acquisition, Map 116, lot 5. (Land adjacent to DPW property and Playground Dr.). The Town wants to protect this land from any development, thus eliminating the ROW across DPW property, and to protect wetlands.

Scott explained the lay out of the DPW buildings and a possible expansion of the land behind the DPW sheds.

Donna talked about the "old" hiking trails *used to* traverse part of the *adjacent* property, and mentioned she would like to see these *new* trails restored *created* for the town's recreational use.

The Con Com voted to contribute \$10,000 toward the acquisition of the property with language that the land would not be developed. decided to take into consideration these requests and draw up a some guide lines for the acquisition. Further discussion required.

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMM. GRANT: Bruce explained why last year's application for a grant to study the Moultonborough Inlet (storm water runoff) was turned down by the State of NH. He thought the Con Com should pledge \$2500.00 to support our chances of getting some portion of the grant.

Con Com voted approval of \$2500.00 to support the study.

Hollis voiced concern about not publicly discussing why the funds were required.

TAKING ACTION FOR WILDLIFE: Amanda Stone and Wendy Scribner from UNH Co-Op presented NRI sample outline on Wildlife Habitats. Amanda explained what the she thought the next steps should entail. (Still waiting for Map overlays from the Town Planner). She recommended having a public information session of High Priority Areas including a Map overlay prepared for the Town Meeting.

Con Com will continue to work on this project.

PERMITS/APPLICATIONS: No update available.

MILFOIL UPDATE: Peter reported that the divers are done pulling Milfoil for the year. (\$195,000.00 was allocated this year, but \$220000.00 was spent). 5000 15,000 gallons of Milfoil was pulled this past season.

Hollis asked if the "pulled" Milfoil was being used for fertilizer. Peter explained it was taken to Spider Web Gardens for disposal.

SWQPA UPDATE: Bob reported on meeting with the Planning Board to discuss strengthening the Shoreland Ordinances. Tom Howard, the Chair of the Planning Board told Bob that two proposed ordinances will be presented to the Public. (1) Tree and sapling cutting within the 50 ft. waterfront buffer. (2) Impervious surface restrictions to mitigate storm water runoff.

Hollis voiced his concern about enforcement of these ordinances. It was explained that the Code Enforcement Officer will be responsible for enforcing these ordinances.

GIS MAPPING PLAN: Marie reported that this is an on-going project and to date it isn't complete. Bill reported that Phosphorous readings have improved. He will have a more detailed report for the next Con Com meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM. Motion to adjourn made by Bill, seconded by Peter.

The next meeting will be Dec 3rd at 7 PM in the Land Use Office of the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted: Bob Patenaude; Secretary