

MOULTONBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF  
3/3/2014

Meeting opened at 7 PM. Members present: Marie Samaha; Chair, Bob Patenaude; Sec, John Oliver; (seated as regular member), Jo Anne Farnham; (seated as regular member). Others present Jim and Bev Nelson, Nancy Wright, students from Moultonborough Academy, their instructor, Shaw Smith, and 3 members from Nobis Engineering.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as written. (Motion by Bob, 2<sup>nd</sup> by JoAnne). Unanimously approved.

**CONSERVATION YOUTH CORPS:** Students from Moultonborough Academy presented plans for reducing the storm water runoff at Lee's Pond Ramp. A slide presentation showing the scope of the project, and materials required to construct "Water Bars" was well received by the Con Com. Estimated cost of the project was \$475.00.

**PERMITS/APPLICATIONS:** Members from Nobis Engineering presented a conceptual plan to construct a Dollar General store on the property of tax map 52 lot18. (Land directly across from Blake Road on Rte. 25). Much discussion ensued regarding the paving over of wetlands and drainage issues. Marie will write a letter to the Town Planner citing the Con Com's concerns.<sup>1</sup>  
Marie reported on other site visits that she and Bob made last month.

**MOULTONBOROUGH BAY INLET WATERSHED GRANT:** Marie reported that the State has approved a grant for \$55,360.00. Next step is for the Executive Council to grant approval.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** A motion was made by Jo Anne to retain the current officers for another year. Chairman, Marie, Secretary, Bob. 2<sup>nd</sup> by John. Both officers agreed to serve another term.

**TOWN MEETING:** Marie reported that the Town Moderator gave approval to the Con Com to have a display and give out handouts in the lobby before the Town Meeting.

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<sup>1</sup>The following are the concerns for the Dollar General project:

1. A section of wetlands will be covered by pavement. There is no mitigation for this area. There is no other area that has been set aside to make up for disturbing this wetland.
2. The project proposes putting in an 18" pipe under the pavement to channel water from the upper area of the site to a wetland on the lower end near the stone wall. In a wet season this pipe may deliver more water than the wetland can absorb and the water will runoff onto the adjoining property.
3. The CC was unsure if the design for the wetpond was adequate. Is the pond large enough to collect all stormwater runoff in a wet season? Will it overflow? Will there be enough soil and plants to absorb and deal with stormwater runoff?
4. The project proposes putting in material alongside the drive to divert water from the east section of the site to the west section and then into 3 small ponds. Is this a good design and will it deal with a high volume of water in a wet season?

**PRIORITY WILDLIFE HABITATS:** Marie showed a draft of the letters that will be sent to property owners whose lots are considered to be in a high priority area.

**FILING SYSTEMS:** Marie reported on latest proposal to create new central filing systems by consolidating all information regarding map and lot numbers.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM on a motion by Bob, 2<sup>nd</sup> by JoAnne. Unanimously approved.

The next meeting of the Con Com will be on April 7<sup>th</sup>, at 7 PM in the Land Use Office of the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted: Bob Patenaude, Sec.

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