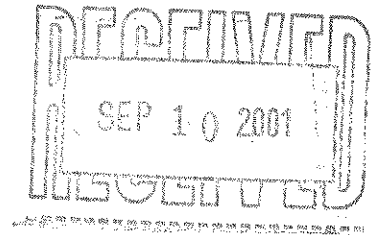


NEW BOSTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION



Aug. 2, 2001

**Members present:** Rebecca Balke, Betsey Dodge, Deb Keiner, Brenda Lind, Joe Nangle, Mary Carol Schaffrath, Burr Tupper, and Ray Whitmore.

Minutes of the two July meetings were read, edited, and accepted.

**Treasurer's Report** - As of 8/2/01, \$ 9,846.52, and bridge account is \$1,684.73 (6 mo CD).

**Mill Pond Area** - CC members, Brenda and Burr, attended a non-public meeting with the selectmen and town counsel. The Management plan was presented. CC members were at the meeting to answer any questions that may have come up. PB and Police want to thoroughly explore parking on Mill Street. The Management plan was then presented to Peter Helm at the LCIP office, and Brenda read a letter of response from Mr. Helm. Discussion of contents of letter: Brenda to write memo to Selectmen regarding the number of parking spaces to be made available; Discussion of granite markers having been moved. Burr did a letter to LCIP regarding the markers after having had a discussion with Bob Todd, and the placement of the markers. The group had a discussion about the number of picnic tables, and CC decided to ask for the two tables with the explanation that the school children had purchased the tables. We will wait for LCIP response on that issue. The following time line was discussed:

Short term: 1. Stake out parking area; 2. Get town input; 3. Excavation, boulders, and signage by end of November, 2001; (the group will coordinate with Lee Murray by 11/15, pending Select and LCIP approval)

Long term - In 5 years, CC would like to examine the potential for additional trails or completion of trails.

Ongoing goals - Manage the area according to the plan;

Joe to write an article about the history of the area, including the ice harvest, indicating the amount of use in the area. This historical information will eventually be in our trail brochure.

A copy of the Management Plan to go to the Selectmen and the LCIP office, and then CC will hold a Public Commentary Meeting. CC to receive public comments by 9/6/01 meeting, and request additional written comments by 9/15/01. CC to hold possible Second meeting in September.

Letter from Jed Callen - CC received a copy of a letter from Jed Callen to the Kincaid's who are abutters to the Mill Pond Area. His letter said that the PWA was willing to help with the repair to the damage to property, and the letter also indicated that the CC would be willing to help repair as well (???). Brenda to respond to Jed that we have taken steps several times to remedy the situation, and several CC members have spoken not only to the kids doing the damage, but also to the police to ask for help.

**Middle Branch** - Bob Fehsinger and Betsey Dodge met with Helen Castles at the Middle Branch Area. No more clearing needs to be done. \$2,000.00 more coming from the grant. An additional \$330.00 will be coming from the WHIP grant, and the group voted to spend the \$330 for crabapple trees, Highbush blueberries and cranberry bushes. Deb made the motion and Brenda seconded the motion. All agreed.

Beaver Problem - An additional \$473.00 is available for beaver control. Brenda made a motion to spend \$473.00 on beaver control. Burr seconded the motion. All agreed.

Chipper - The chipper has been sharpened. CC was informed it was not running fast enough to handle the brush going in. New chipper date - August 11, 2001, (Burr, Joe, Bob, Susan Fehsinger, Betsey, Eric, and Ray)

**Heafield** - Fales Road, Confusion of names, and no more concerns.

**Resignation** - The CC received a letter of resignation from Cyndie Wilson. Cyndie listed health concerns and problems as her reason for resigning. This resignation was received with much sadness and concern within the group. Deb to do letter of acceptance to Cyndie, and a letter to Selectmen listing the famous Joe Nangle as the "next in line". Ray suggested a Proclamation for Cyndie, and this idea was discussed.

**NH Municipal Association** - This Association is looking for nominations for community volunteers, and naturally, we all suggested Cyndie. All members to Email Deb regarding information on Cyndie, and Deb to get info to Betsey for application. Deb to do reminder to all members.

**James J. Piro** - Property located at 246 Bedford Road, Map 9, Lot 70. Discussion of driveway to back lot (9.8 acres). There is a concern about the culvert under the proposed driveway to the back lot. This matter will go before the PB, and a sitewalk will be scheduled after PB review.

**Open Space Comm** -Rebecca concerned about status.

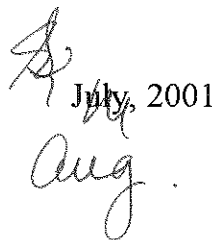
**Lang Station State Forest** - Concerns about parking at the State Forest on Gregg Mill Road. Joe to do letter to state to alert them about cars pulling in beyond the boulders, and then being hidden from road.

Next meeting scheduled for September 6, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,



Deborah T. Keiner



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