

New Boston Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes

January 6, 2011

In Attendance: Burr Tupper, Barbara Thomson, Laura Bernard, Mark Brown, Tom Morgan, Mike Depetrillo, Ed Gilligan, Rebecca Balke

Minutes: November & December Meeting Minutes Approved with Changes

Treasurers Report: \$630,616.19 of which \$371,466.77 is for Open Space

OLD BUSINESS

Brochure Committee: Rebecca brought a copy of a SNHPC Map that highlights all the conservation land in town – it could be used as part of the Conservation Brochure. She outlined the research she has done to date to try and recreate the work that had been done by Kim and Betsey.

According to Meeting Minutes, Wayne Blassberg made up a map showing all the trails – Laura will contact Wayne to inquire about that map.

Ken Lombard may also have a map that could be helpful.

It was agreed that the brochure should include the mileage for the trails and each of the Stewards should work to get this info, either with the use of a GPS (Laura has one available to loan), or by using a mileage wheel (we could ask the Fire Inspector Russ Boland about borrowing his).

Rebecca will send all the Stewards the write-up done by Barbara for use as a template for their write-ups.

Burr has some PDF's on his home computer that he will send to Rebecca that contain information from the previous brochure committee.

A future meeting will be held to further discuss the specifics of the brochure and to begin doing the mock-up. In the mean time, Rebecca will contact a couple of printers/graphic artists and try to determine the form factor we're looking at for the brochure.

Gordon Russell Letter: Burr provided an update re: the Currier Brook issue (Map X – Y):

- 1 Permeable material has replaced dirt in the paddock area
- 2 A berm has been built along the brook
- 3 The culvert area has been buffered.

Burr will write a letter to Gordon Russell outlining the steps that have been taken.

Lordon Property : Burr shared what he know re: the Lordon Property:

Bill Drescher advised the Selectmen not to have the town own the land and the Selectmen agreed.

Burr talked w/ Selectman Dwight Lovejoy and was advised to schedule a meeting with the Selectmen

Burton Reynolds recommended trying to set up a meeting with Bill Drescher along with Paula Bellmore and Ken Lombard.

Tom made a **motion** to authorize Burr to contact Bill Drescher and discuss the issue from the CC point of view and to schedule a meeting with all interested parties. Mike 2nd – **All Approved**.

Signage: Burr has the signs for the Rail Trail and Lyndeborough properties. Ed and Mark installed the posts – next step is to measure and figure out how to display both the trail sign and the LCIP signs.

NEW BUSINESS

Winter Carnival – Mike Sindoni sent a letter to Burr asking if the CC would be willing to open Lang Station again this year. The Winter Carnival will be held on Sat, Jan 29th. Mike, Mark and Ed volunteered to coordinate the effort. Ed will call Mike Sindoni and let him know.

NHACC dues: Burr received an invoice from the NH Association of Conservation Commission's and our Annual Membership Dues are due - \$250.

Ed made a **motion** to authorize the payment of \$250 for the annual dues, Mike 2nd, all approved.

Town Report: Burr is going to write up a draft of the 2010 CC Report inclusion in the Town Report and send it out to everyone for their input.

Open Space: Burr shared a map from Ken Lombard that showed a parcel off Chestnut Hill Road that abuts Bedford Conservation Commission property. Ken feels this property is worth investigation.

DES: Burr read a letter from DES to John & Kirsten Montgomery regarding their dam. (see separate document).

Board of Selectmen Presentation: Mark suggested that we should present, at least annually, to the Board of Selectmen in order to let them know what the CC is currently doing and explain our focus and goals.

Ed made a **motion** that the CC should get on the agenda for the April Board of Selectmen's meeting and do a presentation. Barbara 2nd, **All Approved**.

Filing Project: It was agreed that for the foreseeable future, the CC will have a regular meeting on the 1st Thursday of the month and an additional meeting on the 3rd Thursday of the month for the purpose of going through the CC files and organizing all the information.

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted, Laura Bernard