

DRAFT MINUTES
NEW DURHAM CONSERVATION
COMMISSION
JUNE 29, 2010

Chair Cathy Allyn called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Roll Call: Cathy Allyn (Chair), Charlie Berube (Vice-Chair), Bob Craycraft (Alternate), Bill Malay, Terry Jarvis (Selectmen's Representative), Paddy McHale.

Others Present: Mark Fuller, Road Agent; Keith Fletcher, Moose Mountain Regional Greenways

Town, South Shore Road: The Town's request for a minimum impact permit to install a culvert at 129 South Shore Road was rejected by DES and changes in the plan were requested. The Highway Department made those changes and resubmitted for a Minimum Impact Permit. Terry Jarvis moved to recommend approval of the application. Charlie Berube seconded. Approved unanimously with no abstentions.

MMRG: Keith Fletcher introduced himself as the new Director of Land Conservation at MMRG. He wants to help the Conservation Commission stay current on conservation issues and update the Commission on new developments.

A Department of Agriculture Wetlands Reserve Program now provides 100% of the cost of an easement on wetlands. He distributed a fact sheet and information on enrolling in the program. The program defines wetlands broadly, including 300' on each side of a stream, and certain types of soil. One acre of upland can be included for each acre of wetlands. The purpose of the program is restoration of wetlands.

Simard: Mr. Simard has submitted a request for a Permit by Notification at 266 South Shore Road in order to install a 3' x 7' cement anchoring pad for a new dock. Terry Jarvis moved to recommend approval of the application. Paddy McHale seconded.

Bonisteel: Mr. Bonisteel has submitted a request for a Permit by Notification at 12 South Shore Road in order to install a cement anchoring pad for a new dock. Paddy McHale moved to recommend approval of the application. Terry Jarvis seconded. Cathy Allyn recused herself from the vote. The motion was approved 4-0.

Joan and Dennis Martin: A complaint letter was submitted to NHDES about activity on the Martin property. DES has reviewed the complaint and sees no problem.

Town Owned Land: Bill Malay will go over the list of properties and organize them onto a map. The Commission discussed the idea of meeting with the Recreation Commission to discuss using some of the Town owned properties for Parks. The Parks and Recreation Commission meets the third Thursday of each month. Cathy Allyn will contact them about meeting.

Town Forest: Terry Jarvis updated the commission on plans for the Town Forest. The Commission scheduled a site walk at the Town Forest and scheduled it for 7:30 PM on Sunday, July 11.

Devil's Den: The commission discussed the erosion of land into a wetland zoned by Ludington between Mt. Molly and Devil's Den. The Commission feels it is important to clarify the status of Devil's Den Road as to whether it is closed or abandoned. Water from the pond will be sampled for pollutants.

Minutes of May 25: Charlie Berube moved to accept the minutes of May 25 as amended. Bill Malay seconded. Approved unanimously with no abstentions.

Terry Jarvis moved to adjourn at 10:09 PM. Paddy McHale seconded. Approved unanimously with no abstentions.

Respectfully submitted,

David Allen
Land Use Administrative Assistant

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