



**Conservation Commission
January 8, 2008**

Members Present: Bill Weiler, Chair; Bill Annable; Deane Geddes; Suzanne Levine; Eric Unger

Mr. Weiler opened the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The Commission members reviewed the minutes of December 11, 2007 and made corrections.

Mr. Geddes made a motion to accept the minutes of December 11, 2007 as amended. Mr. Unger seconded the motion. All in favor.

INTENTS TO CUT

Mr. Unger reported that he has not received any intents to cut. Mr. Weiler informed him that there was one waiting in the Conservation Commission box. (It turned out to be an old one.)

WETLANDS

Mr. Geddes reported the following Wetland Board activity:

1. Roger Mathes – 285 Bay Point Road, Tax Map Lot No. 006-148-389 received a request for more information from the Department of Environmental Services dated December 28, 2007. In accordance with Rule Env-Wt 501.02, Additional Data, applications must include plans that show all existing and proposed structures and other relevant features as necessary to clearly define the project. Photographs submitted with the application show that the existing pier extends from a rock jutting out from the shoreline and that it is accessed by stairs and a walkway over that rock. DES is requesting that Mr. Mathes submit a plan that is either completely dimensioned or drawn to scale and shows the shoreline contour in the area of the pier, the rock jutting out from shore, the walkway over the rock, stairs down to the dock, and the dock including the piling locations.

2. Landing Boat Club – Blodgett Landing, Tax Map Lot No. 16A-366-471 received a letter from the Department of Environmental Services dated December 12, 2007. The letter states that DES Wetlands Bureau has completed its review of the request for reconsideration of the referenced permit. Their decision is to deny reconsideration on the basis that it was filed in an untimely manner. Upon reconsideration DES has reaffirmed its approval decision. This decision was based on the findings that requests for reconsideration should be filed within 20 days of issuance of the department's decision or order. By statute, the Department has no discretion to waive or extend the deadline. In accordance with RSA 482-A;10, Appeals, on reconsideration the Department shall review any new and additional information presented.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Weiler gave reference to a letter sent by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Marzelli to the Conservation Commission regarding a Conditional Use Permit applied for by Peter and Erika Helprin off Mountain Road. The Marzellis have asked if the conservation Commission has the authority and any intention to oversee the project proposed by the Helprins if the Planning Board approves the proposal. Mr. Weiler read a letter that was sent to the Marzellis thanking them for their interest and stating that the Conservation Commission cannot oversee the said project and does not know if the project will be monitored by anyone. He stated in the letter that the Commission will give advice but none has been asked for yet.

OLD BUSINESS

Town Forest

Mr. Weiler informed the Commission that the steel rods will be driven in the ground in the spring. He also suggested that a member of the Commission needs to write a memorandum of understanding detailing all agreements to date regarding boundaries, logging operations, log landing location, access routes, etc.

Conservation Fund

Ms. Levine brought in two receipts that she needs to be reimbursed. The first was a \$45 bill from Flash Photo to convert 9 images onto a CD. The second was \$131.20 from New London Gallery.

Conservation Plan

Mr. Weiler reported that the plan should have been done over the holidays, but it has not been received yet.

New Business

Mr. Weiler read a thank you note from Joy Nowell thanking the Commission for the reimbursement of easement donation expenses. Ms. Nowell stated in her letter that she hope many others can now enjoy their land.

Ms. Levine reported that Mr. Perrotta will be bringing in the Greenway book. She stated that one of the 9 images given by Loa Winter may be in the Greenway book. Ms. Winter said the images could also be used for note cards.

Mr. Unger made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Geddes seconded the motion. All in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Long