

North Hampton Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
April 10, 2012

Administrative

Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 7:03PM. Present were Chris Ganotis (Chair), Lee Brooks (Vice Chair), Anita Pounder, Rick Stoklosa and Phil Thayer. Members of the public included Peter Robie.

Consideration of Minutes

Minutes of the March 13, 2012 Meeting

After review of the March 13, 2012 minutes, a motion was made by Phil Thayer, seconded by Rick Stoklosa, to accept the minutes as written. The motion carried with Lee Brooks abstaining.

Minutes of the March 28, 2012 Special Meeting

After review of the March 28, 2012 minutes, a motion was made by Lee Brooks, duly seconded by Phil Thayer, to accept the minutes as written. The motion carried with Rick Stoklosa abstaining.

Treasurer's Report

The Chair presented the report. *After review of the report, a motion was made by Anita Pounder, duly seconded by Lee Brooks, to approve the report.* The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Old Business

Dalton Town Forest - The Select Board approved up to \$10,000 to clean up brush on the trails at the Town Forest. Mike Hornsby has begun cleaning up the brush and the Chair will ask him to continue the work. John Hubbard will use the town chipper to place wood chips on the trails and place a gate at the parking area.

Corbett Trails – Phil Thayer reported that there are some barrels, a wood cutting operation and a pig pen that need to be removed from the conservation land. Lee Brooks has put up some red and blue markers on the trail and will be adding yellow ones also to show the alternate access route. Michelle Peckham is drafting up a deed amendment to reflect access from the Corbett property to the access point of the Robie easement. Tim Harned is making more markers, which he will be donating.

Behind Outlet Mall – Lee Brooks went over a map he drew of the trails behind the outlet mall and will finish marking them. He will work on the trail from Cedar Road to Atlantic Avenue.

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New Business

Little River Update – Little River will be tested in August with the assistance of Peter Philbrick, who works for EPA in North Chelmsford, MA. The Chair sent a note to Dennis Cote, North Hampton Fire Chief, recommending what needs to be done regarding sampling and testing of the river, including looking for more septic failures.

Non-Public Session to discuss Purchase of Property for Conservation – No Non-Public session was held since the chair didn't hear from the owner. It was mentioned that we got legal counsel's opinion that if a property is gifted, the property will not have to be surveyed, however if the property is purchased, it should be surveyed before the purchase closing.

Planning Board Correspondence: Subdivision Plan, Workforce Housing on Post Road Map 18, Lot 38

The Planning Board will be convening in early May for their initial meeting to deliberate on a large parcel of land in town where a landowner would like to put workforce housing on 55 acres on the former Gov. Dale Farm. After some discussion regarding this, ***a motion was made by Lee Brooks, duly seconded by Phil Thayer, to request that the Commission recommend to the Planning Board that the applicant be requested to address three issues: quantify the impacts on wetlands from surface water run off; quantify the impact of the sub-division's septic systems on nearby wetlands and, if wells are drilled, quantify the impact on the aquifer.*** The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

The Workforce Housing provisions are in Section 418, Town of North Hampton Zoning Ordinance.

Zoning Board Correspondence – None

There being no further business to discuss, ***a motion was made by Lee Brooks, duly seconded by Phil Thayer, to adjourn the meeting.*** The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:58PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Beverly Moore
Recording Secretary