

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NORTH HAMPTON FOREVER SUBCOMMITTEE
TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON
MINUTES OF MEETING FEBRUARY 7, 2002

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM on February 7, 2002. Present were Bob Field, Chris Ganotis, Tim Harned, Phil Wilson, Dick Wollmar as subcommittee members and Henry Mixter as Chairman of the Conservation Commission.

The minutes for the January 3, 2002 meeting were reviewed. Mr. Ganotis moved to accept the minutes and Mr. Harned seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

The next meeting was set for March 7, 2002 at 7:00 PM in the Mary Herbert Conference room.

The subcommittee discussed with Mr. Mixter, having the Conservation Commission vote to authorize Mr. Mixter to sign purchase and sale agreements for projects developed by NH Forever. Mr. Ganotis volunteered to present the specific wording for the motion to the Conservation Committee.

Mr. Field supplied a list of potential surveyors NH Forever could give to property owners if they requested. The list is not to be considered a recommendation of any of the surveyors by NH Forever.

At 7:20 Mr. Harned moved the subcommittee voted to go into executive session to discuss projects currently pending, Mr. Ganotis seconded and subcommittee approved the motion unanimously.

Project 01.01: Mr. Field updated the subcommittee on the status of the purchase and sale agreement and the property survey. The subcommittee also performed two evaluations of the property based on the subcommittee's evaluation criteria. The first evaluation was done prior to any discussion. The second was after each subcommittee member presented their rationale for their evaluation. The final average evaluation was 66.

Project 01.03: Mr. Wollmar has contacted the representative of the owners who previously met with Mr. Wollmar, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Harned. Currently the owners are not interested in proceeding. Mr. Wollmar inquired if any development plans were being considered and the representative indicated no. Mr. Field reported that federal tax 1031 would apply to the property even for only a portion of the property. The subcommittee agreed to table the property for two or three months and follow up at that time.

Project 01.04: Mr. Ganotis has meet with the landowner and the landowner is very receptive to further discussions with NH Forever. Landowner suggested contacting a neighbor as part of a joint program. Mr. Ganotis agreed to follow up and arrange a meeting with the landowner, Mr. Field and himself. The landowner also requested information about the tax benefits.

Project 01.05: Mr. Wilson will follow up with the landowner and provide a brochure on tax issues and financial benefits.

Project 02.06: This property consists of two 12-acre lots, discussed as Farm and Pasture. Pasture is under possible agreement for sale for one house lot. The landowner will update NH forever on the status. The landowner appears to be interested in maximizing the value of the property. For Farm, the landowner indicated possible interest in participating in NH Forever with this property. Mr. Wilson will remain in contact.

Mr. Harned moved the subcommittee exit executive session at 9:07 PM. Mr. Wollmar seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 PM was approved unanimously.