

Note: At 7:00 PM, the Commission (NCC) met with the Board of Selectmen (BOS) for a shared session, a quarterly update of areas of common interest to the community. Discussed were conservation easements in general, conservation projects in process, planned funding, better communication with the NCC re: incoming monies for the Conservation Fund, among other things. Members attending the session with the BOS were Sam Demeritt, Susan Mooney, Deb Kimball, Raelene Shippee-Rice, Kristen Lamb and alternates Terry Bonser and Johan Kerkhove.

The Commission convened in the Planning/Zoning Office at 7:53. Chairman Demeritt opened the meeting at that time and members present were those stated above. Bonser sat for Noel Carlson and Kerkhove sat for Cheryl Smith. Guest was Peter Schauer, **Wetland Scientist from Bow NH.**

Wetland Impact Application: Mr. Schauer was representing Thomas and Cindy Comita of 333 Winding Hill Road, Northwood re: a 16-acre parcel identified as Map 39, Lot 25-1. The Comita's want to build a house on the property and Mr. Schauer had a wetlands Permit Application to DES Wetlands Bureau for wetland impacts totaling 1496 square feet. The impacts include a wetland crossing for the 16-foot wide driveway that will be 55 feet long, including, a 24-foot long, 15-inch wide HDPE culvert. After review of the document and discussions with Mr. Schauer, Lamb moved to approve the Application contingent on NH Fish and Game's review of the crossing with consideration for a larger culvert with an open bottom for the passage of wildlife. The motion was seconded by Shippee-Rice. All seven votes were in favor; Demeritt signed the Permit Application.

Conservation Easement Monitoring: In the interest of time, it was decided to discuss conservation easements at the Workshop meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 7.

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU): Lamb will create a draft MOU to be used with potential conservation easement (CE) applicants as requested by the Board of Selectmen to include specific parameters.

P1, Fernald Easement: Demeritt will contact Tom Howe of the Forest Society re: the schedule for moving forward with this easement. The next items are meeting with the Town Administrator (TA) and then with the BOS to schedule a Public hearing for this CE.

River Water Quality Testing: The last testing of the North and Little Rivers will take place on 9/26, at 7:00 AM by Kerkhove and Shippee-Rice.

Correspondence:

- Date 8/19/14, from DES Wetlands Bureau, an approval for Shoreland Impact Permit File Number #2014-01997 by Craig W. Day, for property identified as Map 70, Lot 12 on Pawtuckaway Lake to Mark Lefebvre of Windham, NH for a new house, septic and driveway. The permit stated eight (8) project specific conditions and seven (7) general conditions that must be followed for this project.
- Dates 8/18/14, from DES Wetlands Bureau, an approval for Wetlands Permit Application, File Number #2014-01895 for property identified as Map 46, Lot 10, located at 65 Stevens Hill Road, to Laurie Weiss, to dredge and fill 8000 square feet of an existing farm pond that has silted in over the years. Mark West, Wetland Scientist, reviewed this application with the NCC at a previous meeting. Based on five findings, the application was approved with 18 project specific conditions and eight (8) general conditions.

Meeting Minutes: It was moved by Shippee-Rice and seconded by Bonser to postpone review of minutes of August 11 and August 26 until the next regularly scheduled meeting. All seven (7) votes were in favor.

Nottingham Day, September 20: Details for the setup, displays, personnel and breakdown were discussed. Kimball, Mooney, Smith and Shippee-Rice will do set up. Mooney, Kerkhove and former NCC member April Bacon will attend to the booth. Demeritt, Mooney, and Kerkhove will do breakdown. Displays will include a photo exhibit by Kimball of CE's with public access. Other display items will be samples of invasive species by Shippee-Rice, CE information from Bear-Paw Regional Greenways, the Wildlife Log binder that is kept at the Blaisdell Memorial Library among other items of conservation interest. The Planning Board had given the NCC permission to display a couple of the new maps from the Strafford Regional Planning Commission.

It was moved by Mooney and seconded by Kimball to adjourn. All votes were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan P. Mooney, Secretary

These minutes were accepted as amended at the meeting held on November 10, 2014.