Stratham Conservation Commission Public Session Meeting Minutes February 10, 2010

Members Present: Pat Elwell, Bill McCarthy, Brad Jones, Dan McAuliffe, Tim Copeland, Edie Barker, Bob Keating, and Jamie Marsh. Town Administrator Paul Deschaine was also present.

Meeting called to order @ 7:05 PM.

John Merrill – Timberland:

The Town owned Rollins Property borders Timberland's facility (~54 acres) who inquired about possibility of Timberland employees working to improve property as part of community service project. The will that bequeathed the property to Stratham includes provision that the property is left in its natural condition. There is no known map of trails or roads on property, and no known trail on the Vineyard's easement linking Cooperative Middle School to the Rollins property (trails could be built on easement). CC will conduct a site walk of the Rollins property on Sat Feb 20th at 10AM. Attendees are to meet in the Timberland parking lot.

Compost Bins and Rain Barrels:

The sample compost bin and rain barrel have arrived at the town offices. Orders will be taken for distribution on Stratham Cleanup Day. Pat has ordered two boxes of bags from NH the Beautiful and CC will receive 50 bare root lilac plants.

Planning Dept.:

VIP addition - Lawsuit between owners of the CVS/VIP property vs. owners of the Shaw's property is over water supplied by Shaw's. The fire load caused by the storage of tires at VIP exceeds amount of water available under an easement agreement between the 2 owners. VIP will add an out building to house the tires,

32 Bunker Hill – subdivision cluster and yield plans for development of property provided to CC.

McDonald Farm:

Progress on hold until the estate has been figured out and will not meet the grant deadline. The appraisal will be conducted (needed for estate) eventually

At 8:35 PM, Jamie Marsh moved to adjourn meeting. Edie Barker seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Next regular meeting scheduled for 7 PM on Wednesday, February 24th at the Municipal Center.

Respectfully Submitted:

Bill McCarthy Secretary