Stratham Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes: Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Members present: Pat Elwell, Donna Jensen, Bob Keating, Allison Knab

Non-members present: Paul Deschaine, Debbie Foss

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

Minutes

• Pat motioned, Bob seconded a motion to accept the August 8 minutes as is. The motion passed unanimously.

Mail

- Sandpiper Environmental Services sent a copy of a letter to the DES regarding the McGrail - Brown Avenue site monitoring. The site meets conditions outlined in the DES restoration plan; the restoration area has 90 percent vegetative cover.
- The CC received a letter from DES regarding the Union Road lot (for Jason White, 17 Apple Way). The dredge and fill application has been approved.
- The DES has accepted an application for the Bunker Hill Commons; it will disturb 27K feet of earth.
- NH Fish & Game sent a letter regarding the Wiggin Path expansion at Chapman's Landing. They are waiting on review and comments. Pat will write a letter stating that the CC is in support of the expansion.
- The CC received a brochure on the 2012 Municipal Lecture Series.

Easements

- Jones easement: site visit and baseline report done, financing in place, paperwork being finalized, and a closing date is targeted for the next week.
- Paul is working on the Goodrich easement

Planning Board Updates

- A presentation will be made on September 26th regarding draft amendments
- The 130 High Street subdivision is no longer elderly housing; it is now proposed as a 3-lot subdivision. It has received conditional approval.
- The Kirk Scamman parking lot has been determined to be akin to a car dealership; the PB is allowing it to move forward. Car dealerships do not require a conditional use permit
- A water study meeting was held August 21; it is awaiting comments.
- Plan NH is presenting the final report from the town charrette on September 13.

Other

- Edie Barker spoke with Caroline Robinson's children, who are excited about the library plaque honoring her and did not have any issues with the wording. Pat will send wording to Donna, who will speak with the sign company.
- The CC still has compost bins; bringing them to Hazardous Waste day (October 6) was discussed.

- Allison brought up the Lawns to Lobsters anti-runoff program in Maine
- Donna will suggest Dena Stern meet with the town Energy Committee

Bob motioned, Allison seconded adjourning the meeting at 8:02 p.m. All voted in favor.

The next Conservation Committee meeting will be held September 26, 2012

Respectfully submitted by Allison Knab, secretary