Stratham Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes: Wednesday, April 24, 2013

Members present: Tim Copeland, Pat Elwell, Bill Grace, Brad Jones, Bob Keating, Allison Knab Non-members present: Lincoln Daley, Paul Deschaine, Debbie Foss

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes

Pat motioned, Tim seconded a motion to accept the minutes of April 10, 2013, as recorded. The motion passed unanimously.

Commission Members

- Bill Kenny has been appointed as an alternate member.
- Donna, Bill Grace and Allison will accept their reappointments

Mail

- The DES Drinking and Groundwater Bureau sent a newsletter regarding arsenic in drinking water
- DES sent an update on Unitil's permits; there have been no violations of water quality standards.
- Information was sent on a possible bird watching presentation, which will be passed on to the area Garden Club.
- Dave's Septic sent information on environmentally friendly portable toilets

Planning Board

- A meeting on the former community college site will be held May 1. A conditional use permit will be needed for light industrial use. Other possible issues include security, fencing, and a gate, as well as traffic concerns. The sale to Juliet Marine Systems is still in its final stages with the state.
- The Makris/Bunker Hill Avenue subdivision project has demolished a house on the property. Lincoln will encourage them to come before the CC to begin discussing trails.
- A CC member will be needed for the Master Plan subcommittee.

Other

- The CC sent a letter to the Board of Selectmen thanking Colin Laverty for his work on clean-up day.
- Devine Millimet sent a bill of \$4003.20 for bond council costs. Tim motioned, Bob seconded a
 motion to pay the bill out of the Land Conservation Fund. The motion passed unanimously.
- The CC discussed a bridge Dover is giving away for free. The CC expressed concerns about the bridge; Pat plans to email Dan Crow to say the CC does not see a use for it.
- The CC discussed kayaking Mill Pond this summer to assess its well-being.

Tim motioned, Bob seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:41. All voted in favor.

The next Conservation Committee meeting will be held May 8, 2013.

Respectfully submitted by Allison Knab, secretary