West Newbury Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 7, 2010

Members present: Dawne Fusco (chair), Rick Spieler, Wendy Reed. Conservation Agent Jay Smith also present.

7:30 p.m. Discussion: Minutes

Spieler moved to approve the minutes from the August 23, 2010 meeting. Fusco second. Motion passed (3,0).

7:35 p.m. Public Hearing --- Request for Determination of Applicability --- Florence and Ernest Metcalf, 44 Coffin St. --- For a replacement septic system within the buffer zone to a bordering vegetative wetland.

Fusco moved to issue a negative determination with standard Conservation Commission septic system conditions. Reed second. Motion passed (3,0).

Fogel joined the meeting.

7:40 p.m. Discussion: Trail signs at Riverbend Recreation Area.

Members from the Open Space Committee and ECTA were present to discuss the language and placement of signs regarding animal control on the property. Fusco moved to approve the language as revised with comments from the Commission and to place one sign at the Way to the River entrance. Signs may be placed at other locations at the discretion of ECTA. Fogel second. Motion passed (4,0).

8:05 p.m. Public Hearing --- Request for Determination of Applicability --- West
Newbury Water Department --- For maintenance cutting on a forty foot wide
strip of land running from the water tower to wetlands. (Map R-2, Lot 27).
Mike Gootee of the Water Department was present to discuss the application.
Fogel moved to issue a negative declaration for the cutting of tagged trees without
stumping within 100 feet of the wetland line. He recommended that the Water
Department inform adjacent property owners about the planned work as a
courtesy. Smith is to confirm wetland line and approve tagged trees prior to
work. Spieler second. Motion passed (4,0).

8:25 p.m. Discussion: Brad Kutcher would like to discuss developing a lot on Cortland Lane (Map 24, Lot 30).

No representatives were present to discuss this project.

8:30 p.m. Meeting Adjourned.

Spieler moved to adjourn the meeting. Fogel second. Motion passed (4,0).

The next scheduled Con Com meeting will be Monday, Sept. 20, 2010