



TOWN OF SPRINGFIELD
759 MAIN STREET, PO BOX 22
SPRINGFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03284-0022
PHONE (603)763-4805 FAX (603)763-3336
www.springfieldnh.net

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting of September 13, 2007

Members present were: John Trachy, Cynthia Bruss, Ken Jacques, Ken Downs, Todd Richardson, Robert Anderson. Absent were: Geobe McCusker, Jane Seekamp, Daphne Klein.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by John Trachy.

The minutes of the 8/9/07 meeting were approved as written.

Update -- Reduced Salt Winter Maintenance Area: Since the last meeting, the Conservation Commission has requested a survey of the proposed roadways from the NH Department of Transportation. No response to date.

Update – Wetlands/Natural Resource Inventory: Cynthia provided an update on the work Watershed to Wildlife has done so far. Next field work is 9/17 in Fowlertown area. There was a discussion about the type of computer equipment that will be needed so that the information can be accessible and useful to all the boards in town. Ken Downs met with the Select Board to discuss possible locations and use of the database. The Selectmen advised that there is no space or staff in the town offices and suggested approaching Steve Klein at the library. John contacted three towns that have or are using Watershed to Wildlife for their Wetlands/NRI studies to see how they are using the inventory information. To date only Lyme has replied. Lyme has a public presentation on 9/24/07 which John indicated he will attend.

Update – Gile Forest: Cynthia reports that she and Daphne have been about in the Gile but not much new to report.

Review – O’Day site plan: Bob Anderson advises that the select Board wrote a letter on 6/10/07 stating concerns about erosion and salt contamination. There has been no reply and he will check about follow-up.

Committee meetings:

Wetlands: Bob Anderson will make sure that the CC receives all notices of intent to cut that involve crossing wetlands or streams.

There was discussion regarding class 6 roads that are now wet lands and what the town intends to do about them. Howard Road was used as an example of the damage caused by vehicles. Bob Anderson noted that the Selectmen are aware of the problems and are looking for solutions. It was mentioned that there is a workshop on class 6 roads at the Ausbon Sargent Land Protection Trust Land Summit on October 27th.



TOWN OF SPRINGFIELD
759 MAIN STREET, PO BOX 22
SPRINGFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03284-0022
PHONE (603)763-4805 FAX (603)763-3336
www.springfieldnh.net

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Page 2 of 2
September 13, 2007

Committee Meetings – continued:

Community Outreach: The public presentation for the Wetlands/NRI should be at the end of the year. The format is uncertain at this time. There was discussion regarding the need to purchase hardware and software to enable public access to the data and allow for updates.

Communications and Miscellaneous: John shared information about upcoming workshops on various topics of interest. There will be a Land Summit sponsored by the ASLPT for the 12 towns of the Mt. Kearsarge/Lake Sunapee region on Saturday, October 27, 2007 at the Kearsarge Regional High School. This conference is designed specifically for the selectmen, planning boards, zoning boards, and conservation commissions of the region. The municipal Law Lecture Series is scheduled for October 17, 24, 31 in Hanover.

The Sullivan County Conservation District is honoring Susan and Keith Cutting of Sanborn Hill Road as Conservationists of the Year at its Annual Award Dinner Friday September 28, 2007.

Springfield is meeting on Thursday October 4, 2007 to discuss the Hazard Mitigation Plan. Frank Anderson has an emergency operations plan that is to be filed. There are engineering studies on drainage being conducted. The Spring/Summer 2007 storm damage clean-up costs amount to \$80,000 or so with \$57,000 in assistance already received from the state and federal government.

Geobe McCusker has advised the chair that he is resigning.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Sincerely,

John D. Trachy
Chairman