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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting of October 2, 2008

Note: These minutes are to be considered draft minutes only until approved by the Commission.

Members present were: John Trachy, Cynthia Bruss, Daphne Klein, Ken Jacques. Absent were: Jane Seekamp, Bob Ruel, Todd Richardson, Robert Anderson (Alt). Also present was Selectman Don Hill.

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

Ken made a motion to accept the minutes of 9/4/08, seconded by Cynthia. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Outreach: The electrician has been contacted by the Selectmen to install an outlet on the ceiling of the meeting room in the town office building for the projector.

Cynthia reported that the Historical Society is interested in working more closely with other organizations in town. This will be discussed further at a future meeting.

Daphne met informally with Bonnie Lull, the kindergarten teacher, and talked about the idea of having CC members come in periodically to do short programs with the kindergarten students.

Wetlands: A new DES violation report has been filed for a property on Stoney Brook Road for excavating within the CSPA setback of 250 feet.

Conservation Lands: All interested CC members are invited to go out later this month to refresh the red paint blazes on the Kinsley lot (near cemetery). John will set the date and advise. It was suggested that at some future date the new Cooperative Extension forester for Sullivan County be invited to come out to look at some of the forested town lands. Cynthia noted that there are only two CC members on the Conservation Lands subcommittee and that another person should be appointed.

One property in town is moving forward through the conservation easement process with the Ausbon Sargent Land Trust. Two others are in the discussion stage.

Gile Forest: Cynthia noted that sections of the trail outside of the Gile Forest leading up to Aaron Ledge are in terrible condition due to erosion from ATV use. The trail inside the Gile isn't as bad.



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Communications and Miscellaneous: John shared information about some upcoming workshops and conferences.

- Municipal Law Lecture Series Oct 15th, 22nd, 29th
- Fall Planning & Zoning Conference October 25th
- NHACC Annual Meeting November 1st
- ASLPT Saving Special Places November 13th
- NH Watershed Conference November 15th

John has contacted Alan Hanscom of DOT several times by email requesting the minutes of the May meeting and the Excel file showing the amount of road salt used on roads in previous years, but has had no reply. He will now write a more official letter on CC letterhead requesting this information.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daphne Klein

Secretary