

Cornish Conservation Commission

Minutes of Wednesday, February 28, 2007, Unapproved

Present: Loel Callahan, Linda Fuerst, Bill Gallagher, John Hammond, Mariet Jaarsma, Betty Miller, Rickey Poor, Don Snowden and guests Dan Flynn, Carla Skinder, Jon Woodhull

Mail: Bill, who chaired the meeting, ran through the mail. Betty passed around a couple of announcements on behalf of Mike Yatsevitch.

- DES approval of Jackson Road restoration plan
- Connecticut River Watershed Council annual report
- Planning Board public hearing about tree cutting on St. Gaudens and Lang Roads
- Communication from Dan Flynn about reconstruction of the Chase Hill bridge
- NH government center magazine
- Workshop on wildlife tracking
- Grants for improving wildlife habitat
- Results of election of Natural Resources Conservation Services

Membership: Linda was welcomed as a new alternate; Jon indicated interest in becoming one.

Conservation Plan: Before the meeting, Mary Beth circulated a new version with the most recent changes. Bill suggested a few more and will incorporate them into the document.

Chase Hill Bridge: Dan described the work that his crew will do on the bridge, assuming funding approval at Town Meeting. The State mandated closing of the bridge and will pay 80% of the approximate \$43,000 repair. No work will be done in the water so DES permitting is not required.

Scenic Road Work: Trimming along power lines has been taking place on Jackson and Center Roads. Lang Road and St. Gaudens Road are scheduled for work soon but because they have been designated scenic roads, a public hearing is required.

Town Meeting: The article about climate change will on the town warrants of 118 New Hampshire towns. Don distributed handouts and Commission members volunteered to send postcards to specific community members. There was also discussion about displays for Town Meeting as well as the Conservation Award and warrant article about change of use tax.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Miller