

**Cornish Conservation Commission**  
Minutes of Wednesday, October 28, 2009, Unapproved

**Present:** Jim Barker, Loel Callahan, Bill Gallagher (Chair), John Hammond, Mariet Jaarsma, Betty Miller, Frank Parks, Rickey Poor

**Minutes:** Jim made a motion to approve the minutes of September 23. Frank seconded and the vote was in the affirmative.

**CREA:** Work on the swales around the soccer field has been deferred; costs are being worked out. Discussion began on the benefits and difficulties of making the CREA Fund a capital reserve fund.

**NHACC Annual Meeting** is November 7, the same day as the Town Forest work day.

**Farnsworth/McGranaghan Property:** Frank wanted to make sure the Commission was aware of the lowered price. Concern for diverting attention and funds from the Lipfert/Hammond easements, which seem to be hung up at the state level, was expressed. Although the Commission has prioritized both projects, it was felt they should be ranked since funds are not available for both. Jim will report at a future meeting how the Lipfert/Hammond project meets the Commission's conservation guidelines; Rickey will do the same for Farnsworth.

**UFLT:** Stewardship Coordinator Monica Erhart is leaving UFLT. A picture was taken of the Commission for inclusion in a book being put together by the Land Trust as a gift for her. Monitoring of the Dewey property on Gap Road took place this past month.

**Road Issues:** Given expressed concerns, the Commission considered ways to learn how other members of the community feel about various matters (width of roads, paved vs. gravel, ditches, roadside trees and stone walls, size of equipment). Perhaps some standards need to be determined and applied. Some landowners have expressed a desire to be alerted when work is going to be done on their road.

**Schedule:** Given the holidays, the next two meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of the month rather than the fourth (i.e., the next meetings will be November 18 and December 16).

**Finances:** Rickey moved to reimburse Loel \$54 from the Conservation Fund for laminating maps. Betty seconded and the motion passed. Loel moved to reimburse Betty \$89.22 from the general fund for advertising, printing, postage, and supplies over the past year. Jim seconded and the motion passed. Jim paid \$175 to have the Menke Natural Resources Inventory typed and will request reimbursement later.

**Natural Resource Inventory:** The Menke report is now available electronically; Loel will look into getting the illustrations scanned.

**Planning Board:** The Commission would like to hear about plans for conservation zoning, offer support, and share ideas with the Planning Board. Bill will contact Bill Lipfert.

**Adjournment:** Jim made a motion to adjourn at 8:50, Loel seconded and the motion passed. Next meeting is November 18.

Respectfully submitted,  
Betty Miller