



Gilmanton Conservation Commission

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Gilmanton Conservation Commission
held Tuesday, 13 May 2008 at the Academy

Present: Paula Gilman, Sue Hale de Seve, Nanci Mitchell (Chair), Ferenc Nagy, Brenda Sens, Dick de Seve

Absent: Erin Hollingsworth, Lisa Robinson, Eric Rowley

Guests: Diane Nyren and Mike Jean

Nanci asked Sue to vote for Erin.

- A. Election of Officers: Paula moved to elect the current slate of officers; Brenda seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- B. Diane Nyren would like to put a well on her property following the 50-foot shoreline setback and 75-foot distance from the septic. Doing this would involve machinery crossing the abutting conservation lot. The Commission will walk the property on Monday, 26 May, at 5:00 p.m.
- C. Minutes of 8 April: Sue moved to accept them. Paula seconded the motion and all voted in favor.
- D. Electronic Votes: We approved the letters for Rague regarding the Alteration of Terrain Application and the Wetland Application as well as the letters to the new owners of the Bingham Farm lots.
- E. Financial Report: \$440.30 in interest was added to the Conservation Fund.
- F. Status Report:
 - a. DES has requested additional information for the culvert on Middle Route.
 - b. Linda Hamilton received a shoreline variance waiver.
 - c. Rague is still under technical review by DES.
- G. Wetland Applications:
 - a. We have not heard from Dave Clairmont since he came to the meeting on February 12, 2008.
- H. Complaints/Violations/Concerns:
 - a. Dick deSeve had a concern about wetlands on Stockwell Hill Road. He will take a look at it.
- I. New Business:
 - a. Shirley McDonough may give a gift of land on Flintlock Circle in Shellcamp. Paula moved that we start the process of obtaining this gift of land. Brenda seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Dick will take a look at the property as a first step.
 - b. We will decide whether or not to try a water withdrawal ordinance again when we have our full membership present.

- c. No work on signs has been done yet but it is hoped that this will be done soon.
 - d. We decided to leave our letterhead as it is. We will not put the URL for the Town's website on it. Nanci will look into getting an e-mail address for the Commission.
- J. Old Business:
- a. A discussion of Commission tasks will wait until our full membership is present.
 - b. Education and Outreach
 - i. We reviewed the Frequently Asked Questions
 - ii. Shoreline Protection Education and Outreach grants: Dick has heard nothing further.
 - c. We need to think of a name for our volunteers. We will try to brainstorm some ideas over e-mail prior to the June meeting.
 - d. We discussed whether or not it was necessary to send formal thank you notes to Matt, Ron and Andy for the Town Forest walk. The Commission decided it was not necessary since they had been thanked by e-mail or phone.
 - e. We need to talk about the timber harvest with Ron.
 - f. Land protection: We need to walk Guarino's land.
- K. Planning Board:
- a. There will be a public hearing about the zoning ordinance that was passed on May 29 and the Town will have a special meeting to vote on it again on July 22 (tentative).
 - b. Bellush has agreed that there will not be any docks on the conservation easement and no commercial activity.
- L. ZBA: No applications at this time.
- M. Correspondence: Ferenc moved to give \$50.00 to Fish & Game's Non Game and Threatened Wildlife division. Dick seconded the motion and all voted in favor.
- N. Dates:
- a. Belknap Range Conservation Coalition Public Informational Meetings May 15 at Gilford Town Hall and May 28 at Gilman Museum in Alton. Both programs are scheduled for 6:30 p.m.
 - b. 5 Rivers Conservation Trust Annual Meeting Saturday, 17 May 9:30-noon at the Academy.
 - c. Public Hearing on Article VII, Tuesday, 29 May 2008, 7:00 p.m. at the Academy
 - d. Special Town Meeting (tentative), Tuesday, 22 July 2008
 - e. Next GCC meeting, Tuesday, 10 June 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting ended at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Sens, Secretary

The Minutes are not accepted until signed.