



Gilmanton Conservation Commission

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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 10, 2008

Attendance: Nanci Mitchell, Lisa Robinson, Erin Hollingsworth, Sue Hale-de Seve, Dick de Seve, Paula Gilman. Absent – Brenda Sens, Ferenc Nagy, Eric Rowley

The meeting was opened at 7:00 pm.

A. Minutes – It was noted that the approved minutes of the August 12, 2008 meeting should refer to Bob Flanders as the Code Enforcement Officer and not as the Law Enforcement Officer. Paula moved, Erin seconded approval of the August 19, 2008 work session minutes with the following correction suggested by Lynne Brunelle: instead of final approval, “authorized the Planning Administrator to determine if outstanding items are satisfactorily met and if so final plan can be signed”. Approved.

B. Electronic Votes – we voted to approve funds saved by Jason Teaster on the Stroud Forest sign for purchase of the stencils and a router bit. We decided to get 3” and 4” stencils from Staples. Paula moved, Sue seconded the use of up to \$40 for the stencils and router bit. Approved.

Moved by Paula, seconded by Sue to spend up to \$220 for purchase of gravel for the new Cogswell Mountain trail from the Conservation Fund.

C. Financial: we spent \$12.25 on programs for the Stroud event, \$30 for the sign, \$111.88 for paint and brushes, and earned \$182.92 in interest on the Conservation Fund.

D. Status – one change: Gibbons met the requirements for exemption for vested rights, thus a shoreland permit is not required.

E. Wetland applications: Stearns, Lakeridge Manor. Nancy Stearns has submitted a new plan for beach replenishment. The restoration plan for the wetland crossing on Meadow Pond Road where the road washed into Shellcamp Pond has been approved. The wetlands crossing on the Loon Pond Road application must be re-designed.

F. Complaints/Violations/Concerns

1. Messina – what to do about the two trees cut on the property? Were they hazardous? Should we take a closer look? Set a date to monitor: September 23, 5 p.m. Park on Upper City Road.
2. Meadow Pond Road – Marshall Bishop – Dick looked at it. How to proceed? He did file an Intent to Cut, with Fred Avery as the logger. Dick will talk to DES.

3. Old Town Road – Gilmanton Snowmobile Club has been notified by DES that its trail notification has been deemed incomplete. Nanci will discuss with Paul Osborne to see what they have already done, and with Vanessa Burns at DES if necessary.

G. New Business

1. CMCA Work Day: gravel will be delivered tomorrow. Park at the library. Use bathroom at school, if necessary. Be sure to bring tools. Erin will bring coolers, water, lemonade. Nanci M. will bring cups, cookies, napkins. Lisa will bring bread.
2. Trapping on Town land – No permits have been issued to date for trapping on town land.

H. Old Business-

1. Signs: Need to buy stencils, when to do the Webster CE sign? Who will organize that project? To date we have spent \$30 on lettering, \$190.73 on wood, and \$111.88 on supplies for signs.
2. Thompson Town Forest Timber Harvest – the Board of Selectmen did not reply to Ron Klemarczyk's letter until yesterday. Issue of logging with horses and working on a Class VI road. We have information that Bruce Locke logs with horses, but is not located nearby. Jason Daigneau is in the Chichester area, and has horses in Gilmanton. He is a friend of Paula's.
3. CSPA mailing – did it go out? Yes, it did.
4. Review of Stroud celebration: thanks to everyone who participated; the family was very appreciative; 30 people came and the event was covered by a reporter from the Laconia Daily Sun.
5. Energy Committee – Sue went to the meeting of the Lakes Region Energy Committee in Meredith.
6. Class VI roads – should we be doing anything? Consensus was “no”.
7. Temporary access across conservation land: Dick: they wanted a blue spruce at either end. Paula and Lisa disagreed, as that is a non-native species. Their recommendation was for hemlocks. Dick will contact Diana Nyren with that information.
8. Land Protection Efforts –
 - a. Shellcamp – Shirley McDonough. We discussed paying for title search and insurance, and voted no, given the size of the lot. Deed language will not include a reference to beaches. Vote to approve: Sue moved, Erin seconded approval. Approved..
 - b. Bellush – Review of opinion from Laura Specter and Tom Howe's comments. Laura questioned the same language that is in all other recent conservation easement deeds regarding arbitration. Laura did not suggest any alternative language. We agreed to keep the current language. Continued until October meeting.

- c. Transfer of CMCA/Perkins to Town: we will discuss this with Tim Warren to see if the Town is comfortable without having a survey of the property? We may want to meet with the Board of Selectmen on this?

I. Planning Board – little of interest on agenda.

J. ZBA – de Forest: very poorly drained soils, NWI wetlands shows wetlands on site, Tier 2 wildlife habitat, put up building this year. Who can go to the meeting, or should we do a letter? Sue and Dick will attend the meeting.

K. Board of Selectmen – nothing new.

L. Correspondence – little new

M. Intents to cut – nothing new.

Dick will check with Bob Flanders, Code Enforcement officer, about the dock placed on town land on Crystal Lake, and the Lakeshore Drive speed bumps.

N. Dates –

1. Planning Board Meeting, Thursday, September 11, 2008
2. CMCA Trail Work Day, September 14, 2008 at 10:00 am
3. Meeting with Selectmen re. Rague/Goulet, Monday, September 15 at 7:30 pm
4. Belknap Range Conservation Coalition, Thursday, September 18 at 7:00 pm in Alton.
5. Land Use Clerks Workshop for Conservation Commissions, Saturday, September 20, 9 am – 3 pm.
6. Next Regular Conservation Commission Meeting, Tuesday, October 14, 2008 at 7 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Dick de Seve, acting Secretary

GILMANTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Status Report for September 10, 2008 Meeting

A. Wetland and Shoreland Applications

1. Town, Middle Route, after-the-fact application for culvert replacements. More information requested by DES.
2. Town, Loon Pond Road, Standard Dredge and Fill, culvert replacement. More information requested by DES.
3. Town, Meadow Pond Road, Notification of Routine Roadway Maintenance Activities. Notification complete.
4. Gibbons, Leatherstocking Lane, Shoreland Application, Replace existing cabin with modular home. Under technical review by DES.
5. Lakeridge Manor Association, Ridgewood Drive, Permit by Notification, beach replenishment. More information requested by DES.
6. Argue, Crystal Lake Road, Shoreland Application, Raze existing house and rebuild on concrete foundation, Under technical review by DES.
7. Rubino, Bacon Way, Shoreland Application, Construct additional square footage to existing garage. Under technical review by DES.