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**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Minutes of the Meeting of July 13, 2006 held at the Memorial Building, 7:00PM

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

Meeting called to order at 7:05 by John Trachy. Geobe McCusker again volunteered as scribe for this meeting.

Members present were: Ken Downs; Daphne Klein; Boris Busheuff; John Trachy; Cynthia Bruss; Geobe McCusker; Laura Hummel. Absent: Ken Jacques; Richard Currier; Robert Anderson (selectmen's representative). Also present were Peter Dzewaltowski and Courtney Daniels representing the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC).

Outline by UVLSRPC of what it can do to assist the Commission in conducting a Wetlands and Natural Resources inventory. Work is generally done in two phases. Phase 1 is general in nature and is based on collecting all available information into a database. Text and graphical reports can then be generated. Phase 2 is more detail-oriented and involves field work. Updates are done by UVLSRPC and are based on source updates and Commission input. Special overlays such as the tax map are available at a small charge for digitizing. Data is not in a proprietary format and can be read using available shareware. Manipulation of data requires special software that currently runs about \$10,000 so UVLSRPC fulfills these requests. UVLSRPC fee is generally a combination of a fixed fee and a variable charge for hours worked. Estimate of \$2,000 to \$5,000 given, less if just wetlands and soils are done. Tara Bamford and Courtney Daniels at UVLSRPC would do the work. Examples of work done for Lebanon were passed around. UVLSRPC is currently working on inventories for Claremont and Newbury. A "menu" of available overlays will be provided to the Commission for its review.

Minutes of the June 8, 2006 meeting were approved without change.

Discussion regarding the need for a treasurer to interact with the town office and town treasurer. Decided that there was no need at this time as long as the town office can provide a funds balance printout monthly.

Discussion regarding the need for a secretary. Decided to rotate the duties among the members for now.

The 1996 Commission rules/by-laws were discussed. Cynthia Bruss to review these and suggest updates and changes.



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Update on work by Cynthia Bruss and Daphne Klein on the Gile Forest. Moved and seconded to request a meeting with the selectmen. Passed. John to arrange and advise Commissioners of date.

A copy of the letter sent to the selectmen regarding erosion and sedimentation control plans for those obtaining a building permit was reviewed. No response at this time.

It was noted that the Sutton Conservation Commission is holding a public education program on July 17<sup>th</sup> titled "Land Conservation Options". Members were encouraged to attend.

Discussion regarding conservation interests of each Commissioner. Daphne Klein outlined her work with the Kolelemook Lake Protective Association and its efforts to prevent the introduction of invasive species into the lake. Other Commissioners to outline interests at future meetings.

Various correspondence reviewed. Daphne Klein approved to attend a one-day conference.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 pm.