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## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

### Minutes of the Meeting of February 8, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm.

Members present were: John Trachy, Cynthia Bruss, Ken Jacques, Richard Currier, Geobe McCusker, Ken Downs, Robert Anderson, and Todd Richardson. Absent were: Daphne Klein and Laura Hummel. Prospective members present: Jane Seekamp and Robert Ruel. Guests present: Howard Lewis and Scott Neimyer of DRED – Forests and Lands.

The minutes of the January 11, 2007 meeting were approved with a correction to the spelling of Globe --- originally written as Glove.

**Presentation by Howard Lewis:** An overview of forestry activity in the Gile Forest was presented by Howard Lewis. Future forestry efforts were detailed.

**Reduced Winter Maintenance Area:** Requests for comment concerning enlarging the Reduced Winter Maintenance Area have been sent to Selectmen, Police, Fire/Rescue, Highway and the SAU office. To date the Selectmen have replied.

**Erosion and Sedimentation Flyer:** A revised flyer with black print on red paper was reviewed. This flyer was deemed to be suitable for general distribution.

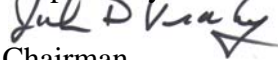
**Wetlands and NRI:** Cynthia reported that she has verbal confirmation from SPNHF that they will allow Royal Arch/Society funds to be used to fund the Wetlands/NRI. The contractor (Wildlife to Wetlands) will be soliciting input on “special” places to be explored or cataloged.

**Zoning Board Request:** The ZBA has requested that the Commission review the proposed Matarazzo sub-division and provide recommendations. The Wetlands and Water Resources Committee will meet Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup> to initiate a review.

**Committee Meetings:** Brief organizational meetings of the four working committees were held. **Wetlands and Water Resources:** Geobe McCusker, Ken Jacques, Dick Currier, John Trachy. **Conservation Lands and Wildlife:** Dick Currier, Todd Richardson, John Trachy. **Community Outreach:** Ken Downs, Cynthia Bruss, Todd Richardson. **Gile Forest:** Cynthia Bruss, Ken Jacques, Geobe McCusker. Each committee is evaluating its planned activity for the balance of the year.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Chairman

*Our mission: To promote the proper utilization and protection  
of natural resources and the protection of watershed resources*