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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting of January 10, 2008

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

Members present were: John Trachy, Cynthia Bruss, Daphne Klein, Ken Jacques, and Robert Anderson. Absent were: Todd Richardson, Ken Downs, Geobe McCusker, and Jane Seekamp.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by John Trachy.

The minutes of the 12/13/07 meeting were approved as written.

Update -- Reduced Salt Winter Maintenance Area: The Board of Selectman received a letter dated 11/27/07 from Alan Hanscom, district engineer with NH Department of Transportation (DOT), regarding the request for reduced winter maintenance in certain areas near Little Lake Sunapee and Lake Kolelemook. The next step is to request a public meeting in Springfield, hosted by DOT, to discuss the proposal. John will write a letter from the CC requesting a public meeting.

Election of 2008 Officers: Prior to the election of new officers, John read a letter from Ken Downs to the Select Board, submitting his resignation from the CC, effective immediately. Appreciation was expressed for his many contributions to the CC. Officers for 2008 were elected as follows:

Chair: John Trachy
Vice Chair: Todd Richardson
Treasurer: Ken Jacques
Secretary: Daphne Klein

2008 Budget: A motion was made by Cynthia, seconded by Ken to approve a budget request of \$1000, which is \$375 less than was approved last year. The motion passed unanimously.

2007 Annual Report: A motion was made by Daphne, seconded by Ken, to approve the summary for the year 2007 that John had written for the town's Annual Report. The motion passed unanimously.



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Proposed Warrant Articles for the 2008 Town Meeting: John proposed two warrant articles for the 2008 Town Meeting. After some discussion, Daphne made a motion, seconded by Cynthia, to submit the following warrant article: *To see if the Town will vote to deposit 25% of the revenues (up to \$5000) collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (the land use change tax) in the conservation fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5, III as authorized by RSA 79-A:25, II.* The motion passed unanimously. A second motion was made by Ken, seconded by Cynthia, to submit this warrant article: *To see if the Town will vote to deposit any gifts of money received pursuant to RSA 36-A:4 in the conservation fund.* The motion passed unanimously.

Other business:

- Approval from DES has been received for the Matarazzo project subject to a number of conditions.
- Daphne asked if it might be possible to reschedule CC meetings as they currently conflict with the quarterly Historical Society meetings. This will be taken up at a future meeting.

Review of Wetlands/Natural Resource Inventory Draft Report: The remainder of the meeting was spent reviewing the draft of the report the CC received from Watershed to Wildlife.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daphne Klein
Secretary