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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting of Nov 3th, 2011

Note: These minutes are to be considered draft minutes until approved by the Conservation Commission.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Cynthia Bruss.

Members present: Bob Ruel, Cynthia Bruss, Daphne Klein, Bruce Allen, Ken Jacques, Todd Richardson, Jane Seekamp (arrived late). Also present: Leigh Callaway (Selectman representative), John Trachy

The minutes of 9/1/11 were approved. The minutes of 10/6/11 were amended as follows: "The entire paragraph after the heading, *Outreach Committee*, is to be deleted." The amended minutes of 10/6/11 were approved.

Treasurer's Report: There is currently \$525.00 in the account, but that does not include recent expenditures for postage and for seed purchased to stabilize the soil on the landing at the Brook lot.

Town Lots:

- It was noted that the \$700.00 spent by the CC for the timber appraisal of the Brook lot should be put back in to the CC's general fund during this fiscal year if possible.
- Logging is finished at the Brook lot, and the Selectmen have received the revenue from the cut. The clear cut area looks good and has opened up some nice views. Van Webb put in additional water bars and erosion controls around the landing area, which had not been included in the original contract, at no additional expense. Cynthia and Daphne seeded part of this area to help minimize erosion.
- Cynthia will talk to the Society for the Protection of NH Forests to clarify how the Royal Arch fund can be used for preservation of town lots that are similar to the Society and Arch lots.
- Bruce made a motion, seconded by Todd, that Cynthia talk to Brooks Weathers to see if he is willing to take a quick look, at no charge, at the Kinsley lot to get some idea of when it should next be logged.

Wetlands: Bob reported on a conference he attended at LSPA on better ways to manage water quality world wide.

Outreach: Photos were taken at various stages of the Brook lot timber cut that could be used in the future in an education program. Bruce will load the photos from different cameras onto the computer.

Miscellaneous:

- Alternates are still needed for the CC.
- Cynthia signed off on a Minimum Impact Expedited Application involving installation of a culvert for a house lot on Route 114.
- There are no updates for the Grantham CC about the Bog Brook Area.



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- A map case is needed to store and protect the many different town maps. Cynthia will talk to some local carpenters to get some idea of how much it would cost to build one.
- Ken reported that the Planning Board is looking at finding a new way to delineate wetlands in town.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Daphne Klein
Secretary