

Mason Conservation Commission Minutes

December 10, 2008 7:00 pm to 11:11 pm

Attendees: Bob Larochelle, Liz Fletcher, Stuart Sherman, Ann Moser, Anna Faiello.

Bridge grant mathematics – Volunteer hours=135.5 x9.77=\$1323.83

Labombard eng.= \$82.50

Total Qualifying match= \$1406.33 (total 20% match) (\$2920 is 20% of 14,600)

Bernie Ogrady = $\frac{$10,414.40}{}$

PJ Currier= \$1261.21 (total we can claim)

\$11675.61 (total we can ask State for)

Discussed \$62 Livestock bill dated Sept 26, 2008 for Livestock Rubbish Removal (Ruggerio). I did not receive any confirmation from Dave Cook before the meeting. The commission decided we will pay it if we get a response from Dave regarding the reason for the expense.

Mark Archambault presented a revised packet for the groundwater reclass project. At this point the State just wants the list of regulated substances from PCS businesses. First send letter to PCS with list of reg substances and asking if CC can call them. Then primary person (Liz or Lynn) calls asking for list of substances and how they are stored. Follow up on PCS with regulated substances by site inspection. We inspected the sample letter C-1 from Mark and made some edits to his wording. Mark will email the revised version so we can fix it digitally before inserting into CC letterhead.

Sample letter C-2 is shorter and asks for site inspection before Mason's acceptance of reclass and after, although they could be done in one visit. Once edits are finished we will run them by Lynn. We will also request site visit training from the Pierce and the sample inspection report form before we start. We will always have 2 people conducting the visits.

We discussed the Memorandum of Understanding with respect to the Nashua River Watershed Association regarding water resource protection collaboration between all towns in the Squanticook and Nissitissit watersheds (MA & NH). Si recommended the document is a moving target which is must be signed until the AG in both NH & MA has approved it. The Town must then approve it as a warrant article at town meeting.

Eric Anderson came to discuss his plan for creating a parking area on the Florence Roberts Conservation land. Liz does not think there is enough room for more than single line parking only parallel to the road near the trailhead. Eric is willing to apply to the State for permits to enhance the parking spots. We will try to schedule a site evaluation with the Boy Scouts, Eric and CC in Spring or Summer.

Also discussed the possibility of creating a lease area for Eric. Eric will outline the area he wants to lease (about 10 acres), determine the area and location, then have a site visit. Si said in a letter that if the lease it is a mult-year lease has to be a warrant article to go before town meeting. Base lease on what the property is worth in current use (Lipin payed \$78 for 38 Acres). To avoid site specific regulations Eric would limit the impact of clearing to 2.3 acres per year for 5 years. He recommended the CC could do a conventional log the area and Eric would remove the rest the forest himself. Eric will write the draft 10 acre 5 year lease for the price \$20? Will ask Barbara what the tax is for 10 acres in current use. Value of lumber could pay for legal fees. We must first create the warrant article for Jan. 1. Will be barbed wire fenced with 3 cows so won't be available for public access. Eric will do the legwork including approach the selectmen, do a

sample lease document, create and present the warrant article to town meeting. Bob L will look up survey plans and help to establish the lease area map.

Discussed problems with B-15-1 target shooting. We would like to install boulders on the Milford town line to block access and clean up the mess of shells and appliances. We tentatively scheduled a site walk for the 13th after Teds.

Scheduled bndry marking at Ted Stewarts for Dec 13th or 14th.

We have no deed from Esau Stanley yet.

Bob D. will write warrant article to give funds to private conservation groups.

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Voted unanimously to pay \$91.50 for 2 pub hearings for Lipin and Groundwater.

Voted unanimously to pay \$4901.17 to Silas Little for legal fees for the year (27.15 hours).

Voted unanimously to pay \$400 to Charlie Moser for legal feels for Lipin donation.

Voted unanimously to pay \$150 to Browns Haulage Repair LLC for RR bridge rip-rap.

Voted unanimously to pay \$314 to Pike Industries for Rip-rap materials.