



Mason Conservation Commission Minutes – D R A F T

Nov. 9, 2011
7:00 pm to 9:30 pm

In Attendance

- Bob Dillberger
- Barbara Devore
- Anna Faello
- Liz Fletcher
- Rob Doyle
- Ann Moser

Voted unanimously to accept Oct. minutes.

Discussed potential wetlands issue on property owned by Shane Robinson. Decided to request a site visit in lieu of receiving a copy of a wetland boundary map prepared by a certified soil scientist as requested by the Conservation Commission. We'll contact Shane about a visit on Sat. 11/19 at a time to be determined. (Note: because of her property's proximity, Barbara D. recuses herself from all votes related to this matter.)

This past Saturday, MANE had 13 people out clearing the RR trail. According to reports, many downed branches remain from October's nor'easter.

Barbara reports that Fred Greenwood is waiting for Bill Downs to return from vacation to discuss installing the beaver deceiver. After consulting with Bill, Fred will contact Barbara with a quote. Agreed to review the estimate at the start of next week's NRI meeting.

Upcoming public awareness programs of note: mountain lions on 11/30, chestnuts on 1/25.

Barbara reported she discussed the drug take-back program (April 2013) with Barry Hutchins who is proceeding enthusiastically. Barry and Barbara will work out the details. The Commission is involved with this project as part of our ongoing effort to protect groundwater.

Interesting factoid from ROST via Barbara: NYC has 30% open space. We should be able to do at least as well. Barbara also conveyed a success story of Milford working with the Russell Foundation to acquire conservation land they otherwise would be unable to afford. We need to keep that funding source in mind.

Bob D. will locate and print the LCHIP and LCIP monitoring forms to use for our annual easement monitoring. We should keep copies in our files for future use.

Liz noted that given the delay in repairing the Jackson Rd. bridge, we should apply for a Trails Bureau grant to help fund the project. She'll download the forms and get things going.

Reviewed a letter from Silas Little regarding suggestions for an easement to be granted to PSNH for a power line right-of-way across RR trail land. PSNH approached us earlier this year about acquiring an easement to replace the original license. Agreed to invite Eugenia Snyder from PSNH to a future meeting to continue discussion on this matter.

Reported on successful installation of cable gate at Bronson Potter homestead on Greenville Rd. Also cleaned up broken glass remaining from hangar demolition.

Voted to pay **The County Store, Milford, NH the amount of \$23.01** for supplies used to construct a cable gate at the Potter homestead, Greenville Rd. Money to come from the Conservation General Fund.

Voted to reimburse **Gary Elsworth \$10.90** for materials used to construct the same cable gate. Money to come from the Conservation General Fund.

Voted to reimburse **Bob Larochelle \$18.68** for materials used to construct the same gate. Money to come from the Conservation General Fund.

Voted to pay **LaBombard Engineering LLC \$180.00** for professional services in connection with the site visit and discussions with Lamarre Concrete for a new deck on the Jackson Rd. RR bridge. Money to come from the Conservation General Fund.