

CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING
MAY 13, 2015

PRESENT: Bob Boynton, Chairman, David McTigue, Jack Messe, Matt Oliveira, Joanne Meshna
PUBLIC: Kleta Dudley (SOLAC Representative), Karen Miller

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Office.

The minutes of the April 8, 2015 meeting were reviewed and the following correction made: under Lands, third paragraph, sentence should read "The Green Crow property on Binney Hill Road is for sale as well as..." Bob made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Jack seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Lands: David was asked to prepare a sign for the Williams property as "Williams Property Trail". Bob noted he had met with the Selectmen to discuss the building at the trail head. The building is the old school house and several years ago the Commission had refurbished the building. Since then the building has been used by different departments. It now needs refurbishing again and Bob suggested to the Selectmen that those departments using the building share in the cost.

David added he has prepared a sign for Mansfield Meadow, one of the dam sites, and the Nussdorfer Nature Area.

Bob stated that Ed Rogers has completed the survey for the Williston property.

Once Memorial Day has passed, Bob and Peter will be putting up the stream signs.

New Business: Bob suggested the Commission consider assemble a fact sheet on New Ipswich's aquifers and the effect the pipeline could have on them. David gave a presentation on the construction impacts and long-time effects of the pipeline. Owners with wells within 100 feet of the pipeline should be concerned. They should have their wells tested for nitrates and diesel range organics well in advance of the project for a baseline. There will be no impact on the recharge of aquifers. The risks of the pipeline once placed are nil. Water quality will not be affected.

Bob stated the compressor will be the biggest concern for the Commission. Since it is on private land there is not much that can be done now until permits are received.

At 8:05 Bob made a motion to enter into a nonpublic session under RSA 91-A:3II(d). David seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

At 8:40 p.m. Bob made a motion to return to public session. Matt seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The minutes of the nonpublic session were sealed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Meshna, Secretary