

DRAFT MINUTES  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING  
JUNE 10, 2009

PRESENT: Bob Boynton, Chairman, Jack Messe, David McTigue, Doug Waitt, Joanne Meshna

ABSENT: Freddi Kazo, Bill Watkinson

PUBLIC: Dixie Rhoads, Charlie Shaw, Brooke Dinsmore, Katy Atkinson

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

Doug made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2009 meeting. Bob seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Ken Hickey from FB Environmental met with the Board to discuss a water sampling study done on Furnace Brook last year. Phosphorous and E.coli testing was done and potential sources of contamination identified. Potential sources include septic systems, parking lots, roadways and animals. Dixie will head up a group to do water testing for E. coli at ten of the sites with 6-8 surveys done on each. The sites were identified on Mr. Hickey's map as 02-FCB, 03-FCB, 04-FCB, 06-FCB, 08-FCB, 04-AGT, 05-AGT, 00D-WLL, 00R-WLL and 01X-WLL. Doug will determine if the Waste Water Treatment Plant can process the samples. Mr. Hickey will provide a list of materials that are needed for testing and then schedule a day to begin and provide instruction. Mr. Hickey will also provide a contract to be approved by the Commission.

**Committee Reports:**

**Water Resources:** On June 5, Bob and the Selectmen and representatives from the state walked along areas of Furnace Brook where contamination has occurred. The Selectmen will be applying for a grant to repair the damage done to the brook. The Highway Department will do the work and an engineer will be hired to supervise the work.

Bob made a motion to donate \$100.00 to the Souhegan River Watershed testing project. Doug seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Land Acquisition:** Bob has made a \$15,000 offer on the Rice land near Tophet Swamp. Jack made a motion to spend \$15,000 from the current use fund to purchase the land. Doug seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Trails:** Bob and Jack will lay out a trail on the Kellogg property. Bob will write a letter to the caretaker and Stan Kellogg, Jr. once a date is set.

Members recommended that Dixie be appointed as an alternate member.

At 8:15 p.m. Bob made a motion to enter into a non public meeting to discuss land taken by tax deed. At 8:30 Bob made a motion to seal the minutes of the non public meeting. Doug seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Meshna, Secretary