CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING NOVEMBER 14, 2007

PRESENT: Bob Boynton, Chairman, Doug Waitt, Harvey Green, Dan Daly, David Lage (L), David McTigue (M), Freddi Kazo, Jack Messe, Joanne Meshna

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

Committee Reports:

Trails: Jack met with a Boy Scout at the Nussdorfer Nature Area. For a project, the Scout will relocate the marker, move the kiosk and do major work on the bridge. The boardwalk will not be included. The work will be done in the spring. At the Williams trail, Jack will replace the mailbox with another including an overhang in front.

Lands: The monitoring of the Rhoads' easement and the Currier easement needs to be done.

Bob received a letter from Stanley Kellogg's daughter, Gillian L'Eplattenier, in which she stated that tree harvesting would be done in the winter. She also mentioned that the Commission agreed to provide an environment impact statement for the proposed trail construction. Bob could not remember any such agreement and the study will not necessary and will not be done. It is expected that the trail will be done in the spring once the timber cutting is complete.

Dan is working on the conservation lands management plan.

Water Resources: Doug completed a DES wetlands complaint concerning the runoff into a stream between Aho Road and Goen Road. The complaint is against Richard and Marilyn Aho.

Freddi Bob met on Tuesday and made a list of property owners with large parcels of land that could be contacted and encouraged to put their land under protection. Freddi will put together a fact brochure and draft a letter to be sent out. David M. will research financial examples and forward them to Freddi.

New Business: Nominating Committee: David M. presented the following nominations to the Commission:

- Doug Waitt and Jack Messe each for 3 year terms
- Bob Boynton, Chairman, Harvey Green, Vice Chairman and Joanne Meshna, Secretary
- Mary Jane Grasty, Associate Member

David M. made a motion to approve the nominations. Dan seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Bob made a motion to appoint David M. as a regular member. Harvey seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

David L. explained a letter he had sent to the Commission regarding Hubbard Pond Road/Timbertop Road. Ms. Evelyn Lewis has offered the town a parcel of land at the intersection of these two roads. The offer was made to the town to accommodate the ability of vehicles to turn right onto Timbertop Road from Hubbard Pond Road. In exchange, the town would improve the driveway access to Ms. Lewis' property from Timbertop Road. The Conservation Commission is required to review and recommend the proposal. Harvey made a motion to approve the proposal. Jack seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Old Business: Rick Muehkle submitted a proposal for the Commission to the Conservation Number Plate Program for protection of prime wetlands that was denied.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Meshna, Secretary