

TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

August 8, 2005

Final Minutes of Meeting

Present: Chairperson Paul Quinn; members Roger Hatt, Linda Homer, Bruce Kantner & John Kieley; alternate members Honey Hastings & Ben Tirey; junior member Eric Foley.

Absent: Lincoln Geiger & Dave Repak.

Paul called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. at the library.

Minutes – July 11, 2005

MOTION: John/Bruce to approve the 7/11/05 minutes as written. All were in favor.

Secretary's Report:

- John received confirmation from the Town Treasurer that \$30,000 has been deposited into the Conservation Fund. So the total in both accounts is \$108,000.
- **Bruce will take over the job of making the agenda. He will get it to the webmaster by Friday; he will see if he can email it to the Town Office for posting there, and he will ask Dave if he would post it at the Town Hall, Post Office and store.**

Kendall Ledge Cleanup: Eric reported that he and a friend cut some brush up there. **CC will schedule a work day in the fall to clean up the east side.**

Communications/Newsletter: Connie & Bruce showed a first draft of the newsletter. There were still a few holes to be filled so Paul offered to write something and John will write an article on land prioritization in addition to a graph. He also agreed to look into setting up an email account for the CC. Connie got a bid from Savron Graphics for \$205/600 copies on light weight paper and a bid of \$240/600 copies on a heavier weight paper. She'll do more research. Bruce said that the agenda will be distributed on the Weds before each meeting with comments due from members on Thursday so that final agenda can be posted on website on Fri or Sat. **Connie will get copies of the most recent draft to everyone by the end of the week and the CC will meet on August 22nd to go over the final draft.**

NRI: Linda brought the nearly finished document with her and explained that there were two things that really slowed her down, besides just dealing with the large files; the wetlands inventory had a lot of errors, so she had to research state and national inventories on her own in order to make the corrections; she felt it was important to update the growth projections. Now that this is complete there is just some proofreading that needs to be done. **Linda will email the document to CC members and it can be approved at the August 22nd meeting.**

Weekend Hikes: Roger reported that 50 people showed up for the picnic/walk on the Priscilla Weston property. The next hike/walk will be at Kendall Ledge on Sunday, August 21st. Also scheduled is a hike through the Town Forest on Sunday, September 18th. **John agreed to lead this one. Roger or John will do the flyer & Linda will do the press release.**

Town Forest: John announced that the painting of the trail markers is finished but he needed volunteers to test it out. Bruce said that he and his family tried it out and got lost. John said that there are signs needed in a couple of places. He wanted to thank Temple resident Jim Thomas who brought his GPS unit to the Town Forest and was able to give the CC all the info. needed to create a map of the Town Forest.

Tamposi Subdivision: Paul read the response, from Planning Board Chair Bruce Kullgren, to a letter from Paul. It was decided that the CC will contact both an abutters group and the developer regarding this project. **Paul will make the calls.**

NEW BUSINESS

Agricultural Uses in Temple: CC discussed current issue in town around agricultural development and construction being exempt from Town Ordinances. Reviewed potential impact on Town's water supply of unregulated disposal of manure in large agricultural settings. Honey suggested possibly putting together a handout that cites DES regulations for manure management. **John will try to find the regulations.**

Harvest Festival: Honey will try to get something to display from a State entity, either Fish & Game or Durham; Paul will email Linda & ask her to reserve space; John will look into getting a more detailed version of the Town Forest map made & he will ask to borrow the Monadnock Conservancy maps for display & he will send out an email asking for help heading up this committee.

Goals, where are we?: Bruce suggested that this be discussed at the September 12th meeting. **Agenda Item**

Next Meeting: Monday, August 22 at 7 p.m. location TBD.

MOTION: Ben/Honey to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Diane Nilsson