

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Minutes of Public Meeting, February 26th, 2007

Attendees: Honey Hastings, Roger Hatt, Lincoln Geiger, Bruce Kantner, John Kielely, Chris Mackensen, Sean Radcliffe, Dave Repak, Eric Foley. Guest: Connie Kielely

Opening at 7:05 PM Roger was arriving 1/2 hour late, so Lincoln assumed the chair's role.

NH Coverts Training: Honey briefly described the Coverts training in wildlife under Cooperative Extension. She said applications are due in May for the fall training.

Carbon Coalition: *John will inquire about who will speak at Town Meeting on behalf of the CC warrant article. Bruce will contact the CC about a speaker coming to Temple.*

March 26th presentation by Northeast Wilderness Trust: *Bruce will contact their speaker, Annie Faulkner, to determine the content and length of her presentation. He will then put a press release in the Ledger and make posters for the public presentation at Friendship Hall. Posters will be put up for voting and Town Meeting. The presentation will be scheduled at 7:00 PM for 30-45 minutes before the Fiske easement hearing. Bruce will send an email to Brenda Lind about this hearing.*

Minutes of February 12th meeting were approved.

Planning for hikes: *Roger will make posters for the March 18th and April 15th hikes and bring them to the voting and Town Meeting. John is the contact for the May 6th hike from West Road over Whitcomb Hill to Temple Mountain.*

Wolbers easement: Members shared their disappointment that Selectwoman Charlene Eddy had not voiced opposition to this easement at the public hearing but then voted against it at the Select Board Meeting. *Roger will call her to inquire about her objections and follow up with an email.*

Membership: Letters of interest from current members seeking reappointments and from new candidates are due at the TCC's next meeting on March 12th. The Commission will then make recommendations to the Select Board for their first meeting after elections.

Wapack Refuge Conservation Plan: *Bruce and Sean will attend the next public meeting on March 6th. Bruce will write a letter on behalf of the TCC expressing its support for the Conservation Plan, the expansion of the Refuge under the wilderness terms of the original deed, and the inclusion of a Natural Resources Inventory, possibly with the help of local volunteers and partner organizations.*

Meeting ended at 8:25. Next meeting is March 12th.

Minutes submitted by Bruce Kantner

Italics above indicate tasks to be done