

**Conservation Commission
Memorial Building**

**February 6, 2014
7:00 p.m.**

Note: These minutes are to be considered draft minutes until approved by the Conservation Commission.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Bruce Allen.

Members present: Bruce Allen, Ken Jacques, Daphne Klein, Bob Ruel, Jane Seekamp, Cynthia Bruss (alternate). Also present: Leigh Callaway

Cynthia made a motion, seconded by Ken, to approve the minutes of 1/2/14. The motion passed unanimously.

Wetlands:

- **Springfield Wetlands Project:** No updates at this time.
- **Vernal pools:** Cynthia and Daphne contacted a number of people about doing a public presentation on vernal pools in March. Dave Anderson from SPNHF (Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests) is available on Wednesday, March 19th. The cost would be \$150. Program would be held in the town hall at 7 pm. At a later date, there would be a follow up night walk to visit a vernal pool if people are interested. This public meeting would also be a good time to tell people about what the CC does and to have literature available.
- Jane made a motion, seconded by Bob, to allocate \$150 (check to be made out to SPFNH) for this program. The motion passed unanimously.
- Cynthia made a motion, seconded by Jane to allocate \$51.40 for an 1/8 page ad in the Kearsarge Shopper the week before the program. The motion passed unanimously.
- Cynthia will get back to Dave Anderson to finalize arrangements for the program; Daphne will put an ad in the Shopper and will send Pixie information about the program for the Intertown Record column.
- **McDaniels Marsh Dam:** Fish and Game did not approve any cutting to be done by the town around the dam, but the Dam Committee from Fish and Game will come out in late March or early April to do any cutting that needs to be done.

Conservation Lands and Town Owned Lots:

- **Kinsley lot:** Cynthia, Bruce, and Daphne went out to take another look around to determine which parts of the lot could be logged. Their feeling is that there is more mature pine ready to be logged than originally thought. Cynthia will talk to Brooks Weathers to ask when he is available to go out to determine just where the logging should take place.

Outreach: The CC still needs new members. The March public program will be a good opportunity to encourage people to attend a meeting to learn more about what the CC does.

Other Business:

- Gerry Gold from the SRK Greenway had hoped to come to tonight's meeting to talk about trail maintenance on the SRKG, but was unable to attend. He would like to come to the April meeting.
- Leigh reported that there has been no word from DES regarding the sand shed property culvert since Jeff Evans went to Concord to give them the information that they had requested.

- Ken reported that Tamara did some research on boundary markers for town property. The markers currently used are 6" by 8" and are generally made out of polyethelene instead of metal. They can be ordered from the state prison system for a set up price of \$25.00 and then \$1.35 per marker, with a minimum of 50 markers. Jane made a motion, seconded by Bob, that the CC approve spending \$160.00 to order 100 markers. The motion passed unanimously.

Action Items:

- **Cynthia will make arrangements with Dave Anderson to present a public program on vernal pools, to be held on Wednesday, 3/19 at the town hall at 7:00 p.m.**
- **Daphne will put an ad about the vernal pools program in the Kearsarge Shopper and will provide information about the program to Pixie and Tamara.**
- **Cynthia will contact Brooks Weathers about a visit to the Kinsley lot.**
- **Ken will take care of ordering 100 boundary markers for the town lots.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Daphne Klein
Secretary