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THESE MINUTES ARE WRITTEN IN DRAFT AND ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION AT ITS NEXT MONTHLY MEETING.

NEW BOSTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

July 6, 2000

Treasury - \$19,318.17, WHIP Grant of \$1,146.00 (\$1,551.00 expected for Phase II)

Members present: Deb Keiner, Cyndie Wilson, Rebecca Balke, Betsey Dodge, Burr Tupper, Mary Carol Schaffrath, and Brenda Lind;

Guest - Randy Parker, Mr./Mrs. Morrissey, Burton Reynolds

Minutes of the May meeting were read, edited and accepted.

Al Bell/Dave Allen - All is resolved and the stakes have been moved to the appropriate positions.

Fundraiser - Report by Deb of sale of T-Shirts at the Fourth of July Celebration. Suggestion to sell shirts at the concert Series.

Mill Pond - The area was monitored by several members of the CC. A report was compiled by Cyndie. See attached. Guest Randy Parker spoke to issues of parking, litter, private property, and trails and paths. It was suggested that signs be posted to give police direction as to what is and isn't allowed. Also it was suggested that trails be looped to avoid private property. The commission has just finished talking about many of the same ideas. Mr Parker asked that we move the granite bench from his boundary line. More discussion of the 15 ' versus 20' easement between the sign posts. Discussion of "park" versus "Conservation area". It was suggested that we discuss the parking in the next two meetings and give notice to the Parkers and the Morrisseys when we do discuss the parking issue.

A subcommittee was formed to deal with the "boundary" and "usage" signs to be placed in the area. Content of signs to be discussed at August meeting.

Railroad Footbridge - Brian Dorwart came to discuss the bids with the Commission. He talked about eliminating some items (rip-rap) from the bidwork to reduce the price. He suggested that we ask for the bridge and the foundation without lots of extras. Discussion included a granite block or a cement pad under the foot of the bridge. The town will allow us to use the granite blocks that are at the town yard. Burr suggested that we pay for the job in stages, and Brian agreed that this was often done on large projects. Names were suggested to do the "rock" work, and Betsey will call Graham Pendleberry to see if he will set the granite blocks for the project. Brenda will follow up with Gary Hume at the State level to ask about the "face rock". Brian will draft a letter to be used by the Commission to go to the three bidders to possibly adjust or decrease the bid, and Brenda will write to Franchi to thank them for their response. Subcommittee met June 29, 2000 to discuss bids. (Notes to be approved?)

Souhegan Valley Chamber of Commerce - CC was asked to send maps to this

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Chamber of Commerce in Milford. Cc to decline at this time as the areas do not all have proper signs.

Zybert - Route 136, Frankestown Rd., - Sitewalk done today and the driveway is not where it is supposed to be.

Middle Branch - There are 1.6 acres left to be cleared in the field project. CC to have the use of the town chipper. Work day on July 22 or 23. It was suggested that we plant wildflowers. There are lots of fern there now. Reports of a black bear seen recently in the area.

Gallerani - Brenda reported that the Easement is all set and the Selectmen need to see it and approve it. Betsey to talk to Burton about the easement.

A & T - The maps are not correct (Beard Road). Application is an expedited one.

Next CC meeting - August 3, 2000.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Deborah Keiner

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