

NEW BOSTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

April 1, 1999

Members present: Betsey Dodge, Deb Keiner, Cyndie Wilson, Mary Carol Schaffrath, Bob Fehsinger, and Joe Nangle

Guests: Ellen Reilly;
Peter Helms;

Peter Helms from the State came to the meeting to talk to us about conservation easements, monitoring, and what part his agency plays in the monitoring process. He also talked about the Land and Community Heritage Commission, and their possible funding of 12 million annually. His agency has concerns about stewardship, and CC showed him our map of proposed pieces to be looked at with regard to the REPP.

The State does hold a "backup interest" in the LCIP lands. The Lang Forest is managed by DRED because it is a "fee owned" parcel.

Morgan Easement - Ellen met with Paul Doscher re: the Morgan Easement after she had met with the Morgans and their attorney re: the easement. It was suggested that the CC meet with Forestry regarding the same easement. It was suggested that when and if we do meet, that the meeting time be posted. John Bartow is an attorney who wrote the standard easement for use by State agencies and realtors. Discussion about attorney fees incurred by the implementation of this easement and the possibility of sharing atty. costs with Forestry and FLESA. The easement would warrant monitoring and good communication with the land owners. It was suggested that "Keeping Track" watch the lands. If an additional meeting about the easement is to take place, we discussed asking Selectmen and Planning Board members to attend. The time for the meeting would be May 3 or 13th (members were asked to keep an extra date open).

DOT and Molly Stark Lane - No changes from first presentation and one more hearing to come.

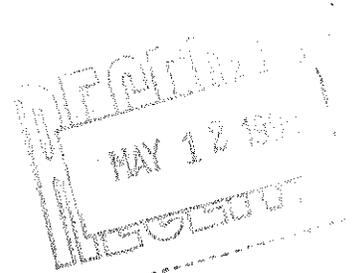
Solid Waste - No report.

Hazardous Waste - To be held May 15th, and Mike to contact the three teenagers to attend.

Middle Branch - No report.

Review of Joe's minutes of PB and Select meetings. Discussion of contents and results of town meeting.

Powers - It was reported that timber has been cut and no taxes have been paid. Was there an "Intent to Cut"? Logger was John Stout.



New Boston Bulletin - It was suggested that Deb write to Brandy Mitroff to thank her for giving the CC a platform in which to express its views prior to town meeting. (It was discovered shortly after the meeting that Bob Fehsinger had written such a letter).

Future Project - A suggestion was made to classify the town lands owned and how they were accumulated. We would like to show the lands, their value with or without houses and developing, and calculate the number of children per house and the tax ramification. This project will be pursued after May.

Cit. for Land and Comm. Her. - A meeting for Citizens for Land and Community Heritage will be held in Nashua on Wed. 4/14 from 7 - 9PM.

Review of a newspaper article re: a Cons. Comm. member in Mont Vernon.

Fund raising - A suggestion was made for a possible fund raising effort for the Conservation Commission. It was brought to our attention that other towns in new Hamp. and in other states raise extra funds through various efforts whether silent auction, calendars or t-shirts. Will check legality of such possible efforts.

Forestry Meeting - Meeting April 5th.

Mill Pond - Report of fallen tree.

Brooks land - Report from Joe regarding the additional land to be added to the Brooks easement.

Reminder of upcoming meetings -

Next CC meeting - May 6, 1999.

Respectfully Submitted,



Deborah Keiner

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