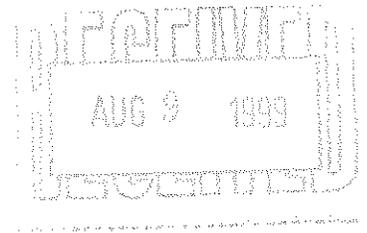


NEW BOSTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION



July 1, 1999

Members present: Betsey Dodge, Deb Keiner, Cyndie Wilson, Brenda Lind, and Joe Nangle

Guest: Kim DiPetro, Brian Dorwart

Minutes read, edited, and accepted;

Treasury - \$7,731.35;

Morgan - The Morgans have withdrawn their easement proposal for reasons of time consuming and expense.

Gallerani - The Forest Society is to be the trustee of the Conservation Easement on this land. CC reviewed the town map, Map 12, Lot 14, and discussed a possible sitewalk, but the plans were put on hold because the owners are out of town. CC would be the back-up "trustee" if the FS should ever fail to do the job. (Land near Laurel Lane)

Buxton Brook - The brook is adjacent to the John Newton Dodge Road and the Alice Follansbee property. The Nature Conservancy has expressed an interest in further discussion with the CC "to protect the land in the future:." Contact person is Bob Miller, Direc. of Land Protec., (603) 224-5853.

Railroad Bridge - Brian Dorwart joined us to discuss his detailed proposal regarding the railroad footbridge. He gave the CC an explanation of the use of abutments, pads, and bolts. Brenda got verbal permission from the State level to use the existing abutments. Brian told us that the guidelines for horse bridges and not formal, although the National Park Service provided some specs on pounds per square foot for horse traffic. Discussion of maintenance and types of steel that could be used; treatment of deck. There is no standard on the height of the rails for horse traffic. CC has a contract to accept the grant from the State, and town council is currently reviewing it. Brian discussed general contractors and the advantages of having one. We also discussed the permit process, and we were advised to have the permit in hand prior to advertising for bids. One permit we will probably need is the "Special Use Permit" if the bridge company has to use the ford in the river. Elevation of the bridge was talked about. Additional CC meeting to be held on July 15 to discuss final report and elevations.

Middle Branch Conservation Area - CC has had reports of parties and bonfires in the gravel pit. CC talked about suggesting a swing gate to the owners. CC to wait for Mrs. Follansbee's response, and will post signs in the meantime.

Kingsbury Timber - The Morrisey family has purchased the Vet's office on Mill St, and they contend that the right of way into the Mill St. area is

narrower than CC says it is. (William Morrisey) the issue is now in
Burtram Reynold's hands.

Reminder of upcoming meetings -

Next meeting - July 15, 1999.

Next CC meeting - August 5, 1999.

Respectfully Submitted,



Deborah Keiner

July, 1999.