

NEW BOSTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

July 5, 2001

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

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

Treasurer's Report - As of 7/5/01, unknown and bridge account is \$1,684.73 (6 mo CD).

Mill Pond Area - CC would like to propose one last time for the following:

1. No parking dusk to dawn; 2. Move the Mill Pond sign to inside the area; 3. Grade land for parking and cut the small trees; 4. Place private Property signs along the boundary; 5. Plant low bushes to hide the parking area;

CC members to obtain a copy of the survey of the area in order to ascertain an accurate property line. Brenda suggested we redo the management plan and mail copies to abutters as well as have a copy printed in the Bulletin. Burr and Brenda to collaborate on the management plan, and CC to schedule additional working meeting on July 19, 2001 at 7:00PM to discuss the plan.

It was a town task force that put together the LCIP plan for land purchases. Two picnic tables now remain in the ice house foundation.

Wetlands Ordinance Committee - Cathy Conroy, and Peter Moloney met with the Commission regarding the Wetlands Ordinance. Some changes had been made to the draft from June meeting. The town Planning Board wants justification of the ordinance. Need for owners to have Conditional Use Permit is known. Cathy and Peter will meet with the building inspector after CC final comments. Wetlands group to meet with us at 8:00PM on the 19th, during our meeting.

Sherburne Forest - CC reviewed the map, and discussed best location of road entry into the sand pit. Brenda to write letter of concern regarding location of entry road, and advocating the Forestry Committee's proposed access route.

Hazardous Waste Day - Three teens worked with adults on the hazardous waste day collection. Mary Carol to write "thank-you's" to teens.

Middle Branch Area - The field will require one more chipper date because of problems with the chipper during the last work day. Betsey, Burr, Susan Fehsinger, Bob Fehsinger, and Joe worked the June date. An additional date was scheduled for July 28, 2001 at 8:00AM. Bob will be ordering high bush blueberries, and the cost should not exceed \$50.00.

Beaver Control - Ray Whittemore to take care of this situation.

LCIP Monitoring - Each of the LCIP areas must be monitored every year. The group decided to wait until Fall when the bug population would be less.

New Boston Hazard Mitigation Committee - Update - another meeting July 19, 2001. Group is looking at critical conditions such as flooding, wind, fire, ice, snow, landslides, radon and drought.

Upper Village drainage Culvert - Joe and Betsey did an onsite and signed off on a culvert that is located near the Wasson Estate.

Subcommittees - the CC Subcommittees are on hold until the Mill Pond is done. CC should be aware that on July 11, 4:00 - 6:00PM is the Saunders Pasture Walk with John Nute and group. CC members to meet at the site, corner of John Newton Dodge Road and Saunders Hill Road at 4:00PM on the 11th.

Scrapbook - Deb to do scrapbook of the Railroad Bridge for the New Boston Historical Society.

PWA - It was reported that there is erosion near the bank of the river adjacent to the Gregg Mill Bridge. PWA to use their state funds to have logs placed to correct or stop the erosion. CC to do onsite (Betsey and Joe to do onsite).

Fales Road, Craig Heafield - the house has been built and no dredge and fill was applied for before the building started. Betsey to check on timing of dredge and fill, and possible reason for oversight.

Wetland Ecology Education Workshop - to be held at St. Paul's School, 10 days long, and \$365.00 for credit.

McCollum Road - Regarding the Frank Tower lot owned by Mrs. John King. This property is near Meadow Road. There are no wetlands issues, no CC issues, and Deb to do letter to Ni re: no concerns.

Commissioner Varney - will head up the New England EPA;

Kincaid Letter - Brenda attended a PWA meeting at the Parkers'. The Kincaids, who are abutters to the LCIP land at Mill Pond, wish to have the PWA take care of the digging situation on their land.

Next meeting scheduled for August 2, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,



Deborah T. Keiner

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