

NEW BOSTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

March 4, 1999

Members present: Betsey Dodge, Deb Keiner, Cyndie Wilson, Lou Maynard, Bob Fehsinger, Brenda Lind, Ed O'Rourke, and Joe Nangle

Guests: Jon Brooks and Kim DiPetro;

Treas.: As of 2/19/99, \$9,406.12 with check written to Art Siciliano. Bob received a final bill of \$372.00, and asked for approval to pay. Motion made, seconded and passed. total paid to Art S. for surveying was \$3,150.00. Kim DiPetro, a guest at our meeting, suggested that our Treasurer's Report be put in the Town REport.

Minutes read and approved.

**Middle Branch** - Bob Fehsinger did an onsite with Helen Castles, and explained what she called "practices". A "practice" is the completion of a certain activity, and the "open field" Practice is the one being worked on. CC plans to clear one acre, and proceed from that point to fertilize, seed, etc.. Disbursements are made by electronic transfer, and Bob dealt with the issues of the fees assessed with these transfers. A workday will be scheduled in the Spring for the clearing and brush removal. Members and volunteers will be notified.

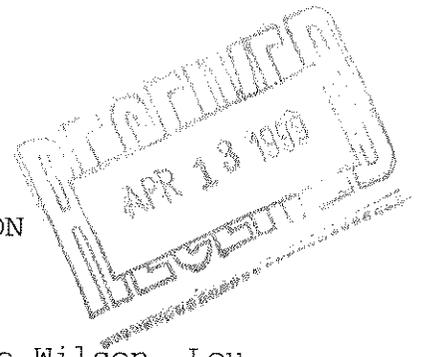
**Bureau of Trails Grant** - Brenda delivered the grant, and got to sit down and discuss it with the State people. We will know by 4/1/99 - 4/15/99 as to whether or not we will receive the grant. Brenda and Bob talked about the additional permits that will be necessary if this happens.

**Warrant Article 11 - Current Use** - Brenda will present the Article and Deb will second it at Town Meeting on March 13, 1999. The CC discussed the two Warrant Articles, #10 and #11, and how they are to be presented at Town Meeting. Concerns about REPP, and whether or not it will be funded. Deb to get copy of Planned Senate Bill 493. Cyndie to speak about LCIP. Speakers to meet with Tom Mohan about Warrant Articles.

**Route 13 and Molly Stark** - Joe did the onsite at this intersection; and had concerns about the drainage, and the quality of the water in the river near Daniel's Garage. He did a letter to the Planning board re: concerns.

**Clark** - Lewis and McCurdy Road. Joe English Road; a minimum impact forestry; the state wanted more information.

**Forestry Committee** - Jon Brooks spoke to the CC about a new procedure where the forestry committee will receive an "Intent to



Cut" sheet which is a tally sheet about what has been milled. This may reduce violations of underpayment of tax paid.

**Morgan Easement** - Update - Joe, Lou, and Betsey met with the Morgans on February 28, 1999 to review details of the proposed easement. There were to have been 84 acres to easement, but Mr. Morgan announced changes which were confusing to the people present. He spoke of using the Class 6 road as a driveway for three houselots in the middle of the acreage, and also spoke of 20 acre lots(?) The Fire Dept. and Police Dept. continue to object to the giving up of the Class 6 road on this property. The CC again read the Warrant Articles as printed in the Town Report., and talked about tabling the Warrant Articles until a further study can be taken, and a clearer understanding can be reached between all of the groups and the Morgans. Joe to do a letter to the Planning Board re: table the Article.

**New Business** - Minutes of all town groups to be delivered to Selectmen within 144 hours. (6 days)

Ed O'Rourke and Deb Keiner to reapply as CC members.

**Jon Brooks** - A piece of land abutting the Brooks land is being sold by the Todds. Jon Brooks was given first look at this piece, and he has contacted Gordon Russell and PWA about it. This land will be added to the present 100+ acres (Brooks) now under easement, and Jon is looking for ways of raising funds to buy the land (\$17,500.00). There will be a meeting on Monday, March 9, 1999 at 7:30PM to discuss this matter.

Reminder of upcoming meetings -  
Town Meeting - March 13, 1999  
Next CC meeting - April 1, 1999.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Deborah Keiner

March, 1999.