

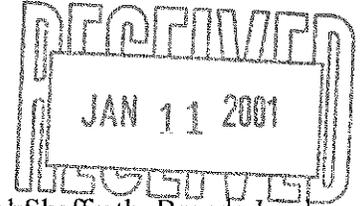
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THESE MINUTES ARE WRITTEN IN DRAFT AND ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION AT ITS NEXT MONTHLY MEETING.

NEW BOSTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Jan. 4, 2001



Members present: Deb Keiner, Cyndie Wilson, Rebecca Balke, Joe Nangle, Mary Carol Shaffrath, Brenda Lind, Burr Tupper, Ray Whittemore, and Betsey Dodge;

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

Treasury: As of 1/4/01 - \$2,609.58 (\$100 and \$12 to be deposited); Bill for signs is \$678.87.

Pamphlet - Draft of the pamphlet for land protection written by Rebecca and committee was given to Burton Reynolds. Rebecca reported that the pamphlet would need additional information regarding who to contact, what process to follow. Burton wants a protocol for land owners to follow re: legal work, surveys, hazardous waste, etc.. Betsey is going to ask about draft easements. Brenda reported that the Forest Society is starting a "Land Conservation Assistance Program". CC suggested a sub-committee and one member suggested that CC needs a pro-bono lawyer for questions that come up. Discussion held for Jan 20th meeting.

Mill Pond - Betsey received a telephone call from Officer Lamy re: kids using the area inappropriately, and he told Betsey that we were to find out the kids names and speak to them directly or to their parents. The kids have been causing erosion on our trail in order to get to the area beyond our area. Joe has spoken to 6 or 7 kids so far. Signs are posted to indicate what cannot be done in the area. Members suggested we invite Chief Begin to one of our meetings (February), and ask him for a convenient time for his schedule. Message to be left on Deb's machine.

It has been discovered that the original deeds do not agree with the boundary lines. Matter to be discussed at the 1/20 meeting.

Trail Signs - Mill Pond trail signs are 24" X 30". It was decided that we had to wait for Spring to dig holes to sink posts for the sign for Mill Pond and the footbridge. Signs are to be posted both sides of the footbridge. We have two 12" X 18" signs that say "NO Motorized Vehicles", and two signs - New Boston Conservation area..

LeClair - LBG development, 20 acre lot on Bedford Road, developer is LeClair. Joe sent letter to PB and Wetlands board in response to the dredge and fill stating "No further alteration of wetlands". It is now in the hands of the wetlands board and Mr. LeClair.

Lot 874, Bedford Rd. - Land is across from Waldorf Estates; Quality Interiors sold land to an individual and the wetlands were flagged; the owner is aware of the fees and the property should be walked by PB and CC.

Land Use Public Hearing - Joe reported on the hearing. Approximately 30 people attended, and those who did were against the buffer distances. Cyndie had written a letter regarding the omission of "poorly and very poorly drained soils". Second hearing scheduled for Jan. 9th. Joe has a copy of the changes. If the soil types are not listed, CC is not in favor of the document even though the 50 and 100' buffers were listed. Matter to be discussed at the Feb. meeting.

Village Zoning Ordinance - The ordinance was voted down by the PB. It will not be a Warrant Article. Wording on the ordinance was at cross-purposes.

CC Handbooks - CC voted to buy 8 new handbooks.

Organizational Meeting - Scheduled for Jan. 20, 2001, 9:30AM to 12:30PM at the town Hall. Burr will lead the meeting and we hopefully will collect topics, prioritize, state progress and list desired results. Burr to bring flip

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charts. Brenda to call Lou and Bob. Snow date is Sun., Jan 21, 2001, 1:00 to 4:00PM.

Footbridge - The silt fence has been removed, and the hay bales are to remain in place. Several CC members report lots of use on the footbridge trail by many snowshoers, skiers, and hikers.

Keeping Track - Cyndie reported that there will be a walk on Jan. 13, 2001, at 8:00AM from a starting point on Route 136. Snowshoes are suggested.

Scott Belanger - This is a lot subdivision on Bog Brook near Indian Falls. The hearing is scheduled for Jan. 9, 2001. It involves 4 lots. Joe will attend the PB meeting, and Cyndie will write a letter asking the owner/surveyor to flag the wetlands.

Onsite approval - See notes from Dec., 2000 - Please include the following change: In order for a member of the New Boston Conservation Commission to act in an official capacity, a commissioner or alternate shall have had training in wetlands identification or soils identification. No Conservation Commission member or alternate will be considered an official person to attend and speak to issues at an onsite without having been appointed by the Chairman of the Commission or his/her designee. Motion made, seconded and passed..

Wetlands RSA - Deb to get copies for the group.

Sherbourne Forest - this forest is located near the Friendly Beaver Campground. A hearing is schedule for regarding the Warrant Article. Land will cost \$150,000 minus the \$10,000 deposit, (payable in 60 days?). Committee to obtain land is looking for \$75,000 bach from the LCHIP program. Acreage is 10 acres and the gravel appraisal has been done..

Current Use - There seems to be differing reports on the amount of tax coming to CC. CC is entitled to 10% of the tax, and one report said CC would get \$6,400.

Waldorf Estates - Report of another plan needed and the developer is disputing this.

Respectfully submitted,

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Deborah T. Keiner

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