

CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

DATE: November 14, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brett St. Clair, Jim Stone, Darlene Jarvis, Mel Gendron, George Holt, Ron Jarvis

Alternates Present: Matt Lavey

MEMBERS ABSENT: Stan Sowle

Alternates Absent: Margaret Watkins

MINUTES: October's minutes were accepted

OLD BUSINESS:

Trail work/Stinson Hills development

On Sunday October 28th Margaret Watkins, Jim Stone, and Matt Lavey along with a few interested residents began clearing a trail on the right of way in the development. Eventually the trail will connect the Brown conservation land on Route 13 with the Winslow tract on Stark Lane. Jim Stone described a section of the trail where hikers will need to cross a section of rip rap. Jim explained that the footing is unstable. A number of possible solutions were discussed.

A subcommittee made up of Margaret, Jim and Matt was formed to address signage and a possible name for the trail when work on it is complete.

NEW BUSINESS:

Kimball Pond dam

Line Comeau, Town administrator, notified Brett St. Clair that the annual \$400 dam registration fee is due the state. Brett authorized the payment to be made from the Conservation fund.

George Holt reported that he has written DES to ask that a representative meet with him at the dam in order to discuss the cutting of trees along the stream. The Conservation Commission (CC) needs clarification on the request from DES asking that the CC remove the trees.

Trapping in conservation areas

Brett St. Clair reviewed the trapping report provided by Bill Miles and signed Bill's permit to trap the usual conservation areas in 2013. The Commission agreed that Bill should be asked to attend a CC meeting early next fall to answer questions regarding trapping.

Easement monitoring

Brett St. Clair relayed the suggestion from Margaret Watkins that a number of easements be monitored this year notably O'Keefe, Ray Road, and Tucker Hill. Members who were available volunteered to set dates for the walks.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Received from Scott Warriner, tenant - copy of his house insurance certificate

Received from DES - copy of wetlands permit for a culvert on Gorham Drive

Received from the Society for the Protection of NH Forests— reminder to submit the monitoring report for the Schumacher easement

NEXT MEETING: December 12, 2012, 7:30 PM

AGENDA:

CC Planning for 2013

Conservation easements

Other business

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Darlene M. Jarvis