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Ashby Conservation Commission
Minutes for the Meeting of October 19, 2011

Meeting opened at 7:30 with Cathy Kristofferson, Bob Leary and Roberta Flashman in attendance.

Minutes of the meeting of October 5, 2011 were reviewed and accepted with amendment to put in \$41.76 expenditure for sign materials.

Treasurer's Report: nothing

Correspondence:

Cathy received call from Marie Gulliford, 18 Bernhardt Rd., about fencing in the wetland.

Cathy received a call from Cabco – contractor started work on 89 Jewett Hill Rd, before pre-construction visit.

Email from Gary Howland, Americorp, NRWA, invitation to join other Commission in a breakfast at FSU on Fri morning. Commissioners are unable to attend mid-day, week day meetings.

Received copies of change in State Ethics law. All Commissioners will have to complete on-line training.

Received plan for 467 Pillbury, Septic Replacement. Dionne property. Now being done for Kolb of New Ipswich. Need a site visit. Cathy had asked that the system be staked. Site visit will be conducted on this Friday, 8:30am

Amanda White, 26 Wellington Rd, called about wetlands filling. Needs a site visit. – 5:30 Thursday, Oct 20.

Old Business:

Bob has pre-drilled all the signs and posts and is ready for the installation. Questions about the best position for the Lyman property sign so that it does not interfere with Mr. Gelin's enter to the front property. Bob will check with Hunter Gelin and next-door neighbor to see which one will allow the sign.

Watatic Management Committee Meeting, Tuesday September 27th at 7PM. Roberta & Cathy attended. All members will be reviewing the recommendations of the Management Plan. Watatic Reservation has been removed from the State Designation process. The process was not appropriate for a property with so many owners.

Reminder that the Ethics online course must be completed by all Commissioners.

New Business:

Vote to sign the Moulton Property CR as part of the Forest Legacy procedures. Currently the CR is waiting for completion of the Appraisal. Vote was unanimous in favor of approving and signing the CR when it comes to the Commission. This vote was taken during the meeting so that the document will not be held up waiting for a Commission meeting during which it can be signed.

2nd Forest Legacy CR has farm plan submitted from NRCS. Cathy submitted the CR on 10/18/11 to EOE (DCS). 40 acres of forest, 12 acres of hayfields and farm, and 2.1 acre excluded. Doesn't have much protection of the wetland and streams and wells in the plans. Liz McGuire is the representative from NRCS. Cathy will ask for BMP documents for farming in and near wetlands.

Department Head meeting Oct 26th @7:30am. Cathy may attend.

Alan Pease has set up interviews for the Land Use Agent, on Oct 26th starting at 5:30pm. There are 9 applicants so far. This is a meeting to select the people to interview.

Hearings: None

Hearings Scheduled: none

Site Visits:

10/7/11 Pillsbury Rd. Replacement septic system for Dionne property, now being managed by brother-in-law, Harold Kolb. Cathy, Roberta and Bob on site with Harold Kolb. No wetlands within 100 ft of the proposed system.

10/7/11 Sergio Martines, West Rd. Construction started. No DEP # on sign. Siltation fencing is well installed. Well tailings were controlled and contained by the fencing. Cathy and Roberta

10/14/2011 – Cabco, Jewett Hill Rd. Roberta met with with Chuck Budnick, project manager, and Chip Wilson, contractor on this Pre-Construction site visit. Construction had started prematurely when the well work was done and machinery was in place. All the siltation barriers are in place and installed correctly. However, they needed to be rounded off at the end near the road so that water would not run out into the road and then into the wetland. Chip brought the DEP number sign with him and installed it. Emphasized that there was not enough time for the property to become stabilized, so that a Certificate of Compliance could not be issued before late spring.

10/14/2011 – Marie Gulliford, 18 Bernhardt Rd. She has issues with her neighbors and wants to install a perimeter fence around entire property. Will cross 2 streams. Cathy and Roberta. No issues assuming that the fence posts are not installed in the streams. Suggested that she file a Req for Det.

10/19/11 – Tilson, 550 Main St. Replacement system – pre-construction site visit. Siltation barriers well installed. Three wetland bound signs in place – where the wetland markers had been placed. Project sign missing. Cathy and Roberta

Site Visits Needed:

28 Wellington. Report of wetland filling. Needs a site visit. – 5:30 Thursday, Oct 20.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Flashman