Candia Conservation Commission Approved Meeting Minutes – July 20, 2010

Present: Susan Wilderman, Judi Lindsey, Dennis Lewis, Deb Levesque and Dick Snow (arrived 7:10)

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chairperson Wilderman

Regular Business

Minutes of May 7, 2010 Special Meeting were reviewed. J. Lindsey motioned to accept minutes as presented, seconded by D. Lewis. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes of May 18, 2010 were reviewed. J. Lindsey motioned to accept minutes as presented, seconded by D. Levesque. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes of June 15, 2010 were reviewed. J. Lindsey motioned to accept minutes as presented, seconded by D. Levesque. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Conservation Land/Easement Acquisition Status-

- **Rand Easement:** Southeast Land Trust has accepted holding the easement on the condition that we use their easement template. Copies have been sent to the Rand's attorney and to Bart Mayer, Attorney for the Town of Candia. Details are being worked out.
- **Siemenski Easement:** The Siemenski family is in the process of communicating with the appraiser to develop a contract for work to be conducted on the property.
- Mimi Alberu: Dick Snow will continue to communicate with Ms. Alberu regarding conservation options for property Map 408, Lots 69 & 79 along Aunt Mary Brook Road.

Wetlands Permit Applications -

- Received notification of a standard Drill & Fill Application filed on the Martel property on High Street to permit the installation of a culvert/driveway.
- Received correspondence from NHDES stating they had received the Alteration of Terrain Permit for the Candia Crossing development (map 406, lot 16) and they are now in compliance.

Land Use, Wetlands, Enforcement Issues, and Planning Board – J. Lindsey reported:

- A lot line adjustment was completed on the back piece of the Sander property
- Jack Munn presented a Build-Out Study to the Planning Board

Correspondence – The following items were available for review:

- Information regarding CTAP
- *The Source* Newsletter

Budget Update/Approval of Outstanding Payments/Invoices -

- **D. Snow motioned** to authorize payment of \$1,485.00 to Moosewood Ecological for the GIS, NRI Forum, and NRI Report work as well as grant research for the months of May-June, seconded by J. Lindsey. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- D. Snow reported that the Annual Dues paid from the 2010 budget should have been taken from the 2009 budget; he will follow up on getting this corrected.
- Discussion regarding the Conservation Fund occurred. There is a need to prioritize projects and research other sources of income to ascertain that funds remain available to cover the \$7,000 \$10,000 costs required to accept donations. Discussion will continue regarding the funding of Phase II of the NRI Study.

Conservation Commission Website - Nothing new to report

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Lamprey River Watershed Association – D. Snow reported:

- They may be funding a fly-over to videotape the Lamprey River Watershed
- The LR Watershed Association has been accepted by the DES. The rivers advisory council is doing a visitation of the watershed to be completed by the end of August
- South East Watershed Alliance is now functional and has plans to become a viable tool that will allow education and a regional approach to solving the problems of water quality and storm water runoff.

Old Business

Bear-Paw Status Report – J. Lindsey reported that the Biothon was a success.

Forest Management / Management Plans for Town Land – D. Snow reported that he had difficulty contacting Charlie Moreno. He suggested that he make one more attempt to contact Mr. Moreno and if he is not successful, the Commission send out a RFP for the work. D. Lewis stated he would also try to contact Mr. Moreno.

S. Wilderman plans to do a school project with her students in the fall and do maintenance work on the trail off of Flint Road.

Commission Properties Access Planning and Requests – There were no request submitted.

Open Space Plan Update Committee - Nothing new to report.

NRI Study –

- Jeff Littleton requested that the Commission review the map he emailed and send him any suggestions/revisions/comments.
- Jeff Littleton will present the NRI Report on August 17th at the regular Conservation Commission Meeting. J. Lindsey will advertise the presentation.

Other Business:

Stewardship of Properties - Nothing new to report

D. Snow shared some newsletters regarding agricultural, trail work and community planning from the town of Lee.

J. Lindsey is looking for anyone interested in participating in the Coverts Project. S. Wilderman was informed that you have to be a land owner to participate. Judi will check this information.

J. Lindsey reported that she participated in the site walk of the Raymond quarry. They explained that they will not be doing any blasting, only excavation.

The Raymond Planning Board is hosting a Round Table discussion on September 23rd; Candia groups are invited to attend. This will be discussed further at the August meeting.

D. Snow reported that he plans to submit a Citizen Petition Warrant Article for a special election with the intent of establishing a Smyth Building Planning Committee who would create a plan/cost for allowing town organizations to use the Smyth Building as a storage/display/meeting building.

S. Wilderman motioned to adjourn at 8:15, seconded by D. Lewis. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted Pat Larkin - Conservation Commission Secretary