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**Attendees:** Chair Betsy Kruse, Judi Lindsey, Susan Wilderman, Dennis Lewis, Ellie Davidson, Dave Ickes, Eileen Dupere, Mimi Alberu, Dick Snow (Alt.).

**Guests:** Michael Pelletier and Tony Fiore

Meeting called to order at 7p.m. by Chair Betsy Kruse following the Pledge of Allegiance. Dick Snow and Mimi Alberu were seated as voting members.

**Public Comment Period:**

Michael Pelletier and Tony Fiore spoke regarding the wetlands permit application for their Paintball business (across from the Irving's Gas Station). Flag stations at 4 (four) areas of the less impacted wetlands. Plans of 18' of netting to protect trail ways, and erosion. Room for approximately 80 cars max (special events). Plans of a 40' culvert along the entrance to stop erosion. Phase 2 would include a building with 2 (two) more flag stations, flat areas netted off for protection. Phase 2 will require professional assistance and a building permit.

One of the flag locations (#4) was not detailed on the application. This location was not planned to be impacted at this time, but now will be expanded on the map, but will remain on the application as is. CCC is o.k. with the application with 3 locations. Another application will be done if the 4<sup>th</sup> location crossing gets added.

The Commission is willing to sign that it approves as long as the application is for 3 flags/locations. Watershed is Merrimack.

Motion made by Dick Snow: To accept application. Seconded: Dennis Lewis  
Motion passed.

All copies were signed in approval. Betsy would like a list of products being used. Michael and Tony have MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheets) for all products, which from the manufacturer are all biodegradable.

**Hoffman Project:**

Dick working on the Hoffman easement. Bear-Paw was going to come back with 2 estimates for 2 different scenarios: one with an ARM grant application and one without. The deadline for the ARM grant is 4/28 at 4 p.m. Hoffman/Bear-Paw needs to keep CCC updated with progress. Dick will contact Dan Kern at Bear-Paw to see if the estimates have been drawn up.

Dick will be the liaison for the Hoffman project, but Betsy will be the messenger to the BOS.

**Land Use:**

Judi Lindsey –Farm stand at the triangle, check with the planning board, for locations.

Liquid Water Park has past issues that need to be resolved regarding the DES easement on the property that was never completed. Was he fined or did he get an extension?

**Correspondence:**

Ellis Davidson annual report 2013 – interesting articles.  
Betsy Kruse received a nice thank-you note for all the CCC assistance from Patrick Mun. Dick also received a very nice pin.

**Budget Update:**

Dick Snow asked for reimbursement of \$60 for going to the Saving Special Places conference.

Motion made by Judi Lindsey: for payment of \$60 to Dick Snow

Seconded by Ellie Davidson

Passed unanimously

Dick will submit invoice to Donna.

**Conservation Commission Website:**

Dave Ickes send a sample easement to Jim Dimaggio. He will also send a copy of our newsletter.

**Lamprey River Water Quality Initiatives:**

Dick Snow discussed Lamprey River watershed, formal obligations and statute requirements municipalities have on any projects that they regulate or maintain along the river. Lamprey River Advisory and Dept. of Environmental Services if they think it

will affect the water. What are the requirements of the LRA? Any of the CCC manages or regulated areas. Notify LRA of the project, notice only.

Dick Snow is Lamprey Advisory committee chair. Symposium 4/18 at Pease re. groundwater, impact on water quality, DES concerns re. water. Going through the scientific effects of current tests. Rule making and processing.

Wetlands bureau multiyear effort. Pushes more paperwork down to the towns, since they don't have time, money or people to do these projects. More work for us but gives us more opportunities to learn what needs to be discussed and addressed.

### **Land Trust:**

Betsy Kruse talked about Bear-Paw's upcoming Biothon, Saturday 6/14/14. It is a fundraiser in which Bear-Paw takes one easements to inventory flora and fauna as a baseline for future reference and to help determine which areas are most sensitive to resiliency to climate change. It will be held on Stafford property, with a gathering after at Harmony Anderson's. There will be a guided walk for people who donate. Susan Wilderman and Judi Lindsey will be participating if anyone needs more information.

Bear paw is trying to get more children involved with family friendly activities.

### **Forest Management:**

Dennis Lewis – Charlie Moreno working on Hemlock Forest Mgmt Plan – Flint Rd. Donna Del Rosso to check file cabinet.

Sign Posts have not been installed. The sign at the Deerfield Rd. Town Forest was chain sawed but, the sign was still there. Report made at the Police Dept. Dennis set it up again.

Dick will check on the sawhorse on New Boston Rd. town property. He feels our properties need to be surveyed with boundary markers.

### **SCA Project:**

Bridge project - too much flow for a center support, too long for timbers, unless we use 60' beams. Dennis might know someone who can supply them. This bridge needs to be much higher if we want it wheel chair accessible. A ramp would need to be permanent. Trail comes out on North Rd. (Sieminski property). How wide do we want the bridge? All town property should have trails. NRCS might have money for trails. Do we have access for grants? Betsy Kruse - do we still want to pursue the bridge with the assumption we will do more work i.e., handicapped access? Is the added cost worth it? Need to make significant changes to make it family friendly, i.e. picnic tables, fishing, hiking etc...

Involve the boy scouts for Eagle Scout projects. Dennis is getting costs to determine if we need to continue on with this project.

**CIP:**

Mimi Alberu said there was nothing to report.

**Barry Conservation Camp:**

We would offer applications to Moore School 6, 7, & 8<sup>th</sup> grades. We missed the deadline for this year but we will discuss options for next year at our next meeting. Maybe essay, community involvement etc...

**Wildlife Crossing Signs:**

Betsy Kruse and Susan Wilderman each have one. Dennis Lewis will check pricing for plastic ones.

**Re-ups:**

Dave Ickes to step down, will do website if needed. Dave was thanked for his involvement and time.

Susan Wilderman yes, Mimi Alberu yes, Dennis Lewis yes.

Eileen Dupere is fine being an alternate.

Motion made by Judy Lindsey: to nominate Eileen Dupere as alternate. Seconded by Ellie Davidson. Passed unanimously.

**Mission Statement and By-Laws:**

Dick suggests that we update our mission statement and by-laws per RSA:91A. What is it we do and do we already have by-laws? Donna Del Rosso will check file cabinet.

**Mosquito Spraying:**

Mimi Alberu that mosquito spraying is using a bad chemical. She has been researching other companies to see the products being used. The Commission decided to host a Public Forum at the May meeting to discuss other options with Dragonfly. Sarah Macgregor is owner. Mimi will contact Dragon Mosquito to see if Sarah will come in and discuss options. Mimi will notify Judi and Betsy of the results so they can publicize the forum.

Susan Wilderman motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Betsy Kruse  
No further discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 9:15 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by Donna Del Rosso

