

**Town of Bristol
Conservation Commission
Wednesday, February 8, 2012
Meeting Minutes**

Commission Members Present: Chair, Carroll Brown, Jr. , Mason Westfall, Richard LaFlamme, Maureen McGuire, Mary DeWolf, and Janet Cote

Others Present: Janice Della Croce

Minutes : the Minutes of January 4th were reviewed and approved unanimously.

27 West Shore Rd. pre application discussion with Janice Della Croce – Janice came before the commission to discuss on plans for a seasonal dock at her reclaimed property known as “tract 2” located at the foot of the lake near the bridge over the Newfound River Outlet from Newfound Lake. She requested feedback and communicated that she had contacted DES and was told she could file for a Permit by Notification if she met all the criteria outlined in filing application. Discussion followed regarding her plans for a 30’ by 4”seasonal dock which would be located near the sand bar at the point of the reclaimed lot. The commission advised her of best location options and following this discussion Mason moved to approve her proposal as reviewed. Dick LaFlamme seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Conservation Easement Properties:

Bennett Wetland: Mason reported that he had been called by an abutter who reported seeing skidders out on the property and that there was a clearing of trees taking place. Mason investigated this but could not see anything from the side by 100 Acre Wood. The area in question was identified not being in the Bennett Wetland but instead on Bruno/Robie land adjacent to it. It was stated that Tim Dell was logging out some Oak. Carroll Brown questioned if he had Forestry permits etc. in order but according to DES none were filed. The commission members discussed how they could better educate the public to the responsibilities regarding forestry and other permits sharing fact sheets, including info in brochure etc.

Catterall Easement Property, Hemp Hill: Carroll states that he has not yet filed the monitoring report.

Old Business:

Cummings Beach: Mason talked with Town Administrator Mike Capone regarding any plans for more work at Cummings Beach. It was suggested that Mason come up with a proposal to improve the beach. Review of area map, files for past drainage projects, and any support data that would help to develop a plan to create a more sandy beach and better experience for this

Smith River: Carroll will bring info regarding The Smith River project to a future meeting for Commission to see.

Zoning Ordinances: Dick LaFlamme continued making comparisons and breaking the information down to report findings regarding his research into other towns with wetlands ordinances. His main interest is to compare ordinances from communities that have similar assets to protect such as water interests with lakes, rivers, watershed, etc. He will report on this when done.

Pending Projects:

Prime Wetlands Inventory: An inventory was originally completed by Ray Lobdell outlining Bristol properties to be considered for this designation. This was not implemented. A history of the project was discussed and the commission will consider whether an application should be pursued again.

Town Beaches: Mason reported that there had been a committee to study and create a Foot of the Lake Beach Improvement plan which laid out in stages and segments for improvements. The report should still be on file somewhere and there was a phase 1 and phase 2 approach that included upgrades, protection of habitat etc. It was suggested that this could be resurrected and possible be a project for an Eagle Scout or development of another committee. Possibly this could all be tied into the Cummings Beach project plans as well.

New Business:

Correspondence: A DES Violation notification was received for File # 2010-03188. Property is owned by Wayne J. Maquette, 22 Mountain Road, Brookline, NH and identified as Bristol Map 103 Lot 8. The correspondence was dated January 30, 2012 and indicated that DES had reviewed the site and the owner had 60 Days to respond and correct violations.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Commission is set for March 7th.

Meeting adjourned 8:58 PM