

# TOWN OF BROOKLINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

## Conservation Commission

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Minutes Conservation Commission Tuesday October 11, 2011 7:00pm

**Present:** Francis (Buddy) Dougherty, Chairman (voting)

Therry Neilsen-Steinhardt, Vice-Chair, Member (voting)

Jay Chrystal, Member (voting)

Tad Putney, Member Selectmen's Representative (voting)

Evangelos (Evan) Gerekos, Alternate

Absent: Eric DiVirgilio, Alternate

#### Meeting Start at 7:00 PM

The Board read the mail.

## Lot E-23-9, Conneck Road (Parodi Lot) - site walk 9/17/2011

Buddy and Evan attended the site walk at Conneck Road on Saturday, September 17, 2011. They decided on the appropriate spot for a parking area. They will meet with the Road Agent, Jerry Farwell and discuss the plans to build the parking area. Bob Parodi (11 Conneck Drive) and Dave Partridge (15 Conneck Drive) also attended the Site Walk.

**Buddy** said he has already spoken to Jerry Farwell and this should be completed by middle of November 2011.

#### **Minutes**

Therry moved to approve the public Conservation Commission minutes of September 13, 2011 as amended. Tad seconded. Vote yes 3-0.

Therry moved to approve the non-public Conservation Commission minutes of September 13, 2011 as amended. Tad seconded. Vote yes 4-0.

## Austin Blum, Eagle Scout Project, Palmer Preserve Bridge

**Austin** said he has finished the bridge at the Palmer Preserve. Austin passed around picture of the bridge for the Board to review. He raised the money by holding a spaghetti dinner in July at the Church. He will have funds and material left over and asked if he could donate both to the Conservation Commission. He will need a receipt to donate the money to the conservation Commission. **Buddy** said yes, he will pick up the extra material from Austin's house. The Board Thanked Austin for the great job that he had done.

Jay made a motion authorizing Buddy Dougherty to sign Austin Blum's mission Completed Statement that states the bridge at Palmer Preserve was completed. Therry seconded. Vote yes 4-0. Lynn Giblin thanked the Board and stated there have been some changes made about the projects that can and cannot be done for Eagle Scout Project and she would like to be placed on the agenda in the future to discuss the new rules with the Board so in the future they will be able to collaborate on more projects. Therry said they can put her on the November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011 agenda at 7:30.

## **Strategic Land Acquisition Project**

**Jay** said he updated the information on the Strategic Land Acquisition Brochure. The Board reviewed the information. The Board agreed now that the information is updated it can be put on the website. The Board thanked Jay.

## **Lake/Pond Milfoil Treatment**

**Jay** said Amy Smagula has sent us updated maps of the Lake and the Pond pointing out the affected areas that will need treatment in 2012. **Jay** said he has asked Lycot and Aquatic Controls for prices. We will need to submit the application in January 2012 and treat Melendy Pond in May.

#### **Ghost Rail Trail Race**

**Buddy** reminder everyone that the Ghost Rail Trail Race was going to be held on Sunday October 23, 2011. The ultra race will be held on Saturday thru Sunday.

#### Take a Hike with the Conservation Commission.

Buddy said he would like to schedule a hike from the Cider Mill Property on Route 130 to the Herron Rookery. The Board agreed Sunday, October 30' 2011 at 11:30 am. Kristen will make a flyer and contact the newspapers.

#### **Lake Host Update**

**JW Brooks** said this is the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year. There were a total of 1,850 boat inspections, almost double last year, having a full paid staff helped out. Not a lot of luck with volunteers this year, Dina Christians was a volunteer. Next year he would like to add a Thursday night 4-8 pm shift if possible. Would also like to get more volunteers.

The weed watcher program worked out well this year also. There were five volunteers each had there own zone of the lake. When they found milfoil they would mark it and a diver provided by the State DES would come down and hand pulls the Milfoil. **Tad** asked how many times the state divers have come to town. **JW** said they had been here at least 4 times.

**Buddy** said there is money left over in the Lake Host budget do you want us to purchase a supply of t-shirts and hats. **JW** suggested purchasing a mat to cover the milfoil at the bottom of the lake. **Buddy** said he doesn't know much about the mats but will contact Amy Smagula with DES.

The Board thanked JW for all his hard work.

### **Lake Testing**

**Jay** said they performed water testing above North Stream. It tested high for coliform bacteria. It should be around 86% that would be about normal. The test from North Stream tested at 316% and the small stream between North Stream and Lancy Brook tested at 181%. They tested after two very heavy rain storms. **Jay** said they should do more tests and see if they can trace where that is coming from or if it was just from all the run off. We should just make sure.

### Lot H-132, End of Sargent Road

**Jay** said they purchased lot H-132 at the end of Sargent Road. At this time there is now about 400 acres of Conservation Land in that area.

# 8:30 pm Non-public

Jay moved to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A: 3, II (d) for the purpose of discussing a possible land acquisition and adjourn the meeting immediately after. Therry seconded. Vote yes by roll call Therry, Tad, Jay, and Buddy all voted yes.

Jay moved to come out of Non-public session under RSA 91-A: 3 II (d) and seal the minutes and adjourn the meeting immediately after. Therry seconded. Vote by roll call. Therry, Tad, Jay, and Buddy all voted yes.

Therry made a motion to adjourn at 8:55. Tad Seconded. Vote yes 4-0.	
Francis (Buddy) Dougherty, Chairman	
Therry Neilsen-Steinhardt, Vice-Chair	
Tad Putney, Member Selectmen's Representative	
Jay Chrystal, Member	
Minutes submitted by Kristen Austin Next meeting will be held on November 8, 2011	