

Meredith Conservation Commission

Meredith, NH 03253

Minutes of the Meredith Conservation Commission Meeting...August 4, 2005

Meeting:

Meeting called to order by Chairman John Sherman at 7:00 PM.

Members Attending:

John Sherman, Ralph Pisapia, Donald MacFarlane, Barbara Smyth, Robert LeCount, Jacquie Colburn
Alternate Members: Pauli Novicki, Ron Kiesel, Paul DelFrari, Paula Wanzer. Town Representative Brenda Vittner

Minutes:

By motion of MacFarlane, seconded by Novicki the minutes of the July 7 meeting were approved with these changes: In the NRI report before the word 160-page report add the word "draft". Remove "The report will be presented to the Selectmen" Insert "The report will be presented to the Planning Board and Conservation Commission"

Treasurers Report:

The following invoices were approved for payment:

Ron Kiesel	\$6.00	Boundary Markers	Motion MacFarlane, Second LeCount
John Sherman	\$20.00	Attendance fees	" LeCount " Novicki

Pisapia reports that there were several errors in the monthly budget-expense report. Vittner agreed and indicated they will be corrected.

Committee Reports

Dredge And Fill Committee The following applications to the Zoning Board of Appeal have been reviewed since the last report:

Stephen & Joan Pushee 45 Westbury Road Tax Map U-01, Lot# 16	Recommended approval Construct 3 seasonal room within 35' of seasonal brook
Peter & Carolyn Crosby Keyser Road Tax Map S-14, Lot# 18-2	Recommended approval Construct addition to existing structure within 50' of wetlands
Coleen Kelly	Recommended approval Approved 3 years ago, expired, resubmitted now
Kurt B. Gundlach 144 Waukewan Street Tax Map S-25, Lot# 33	Recommended approval Construct garage within buffers
Richard P. Lacoss Living Trust 19 Cummings Cove Road Tax Map U-25, Lot# 20	Recommended approval Construct garage within 50' buffer to wetlands
Sandra M. Haley Roxbury Road Tax Map S-25, Lot# 18	Recommended tentative disapproval Would approve if proper road construction specifications were included in Zoning Board approval. 160' driveway crosses poorly and very poorly drained wetlands
Albert & Donna Ducharme 45 Roxbury Road	Recommended approval Construct roadway and common driveway crossing

Tax Map R-20, Lot# 3 & 4	non designated wetland buffers
Alan & Joyce Swan 16 Cottage Road Tax Map U-39, Lot# 44	Recommended approval Construct storage shed within wetland buffers

The following applications to the Department of Environmental Services have been reviewed since the last report:

Howard S. Brower Hermit Woods Road Tax Map R-31, Lot# 12	Recommended disapproval Construct 720' driveway crossing wetlands construction of 2 large culverts
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John Belvisa 11 Sanctuary Lane Tax Map R-47, Lot# 45	Recommended Approval Replace failed culvert
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Bob Swartz 75 Water Street Tax Map U-05, U-08, Lot# 51A	Recommended approval Construct 3 slip seasonal dock
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Michael & Wendy Tata 24 Little Road Tax Map U-37, Lot# 3A	Recommended approval Construct 24 x 36 dug in boathouse
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Paul & Blanch Wiener 65 Pleasant Street Tax Map U-15, Lot# 45B	Recommended approval Replenish beach sand
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Sandra Haley Robin way Tax Map S-25, Lot# 18	Recommended denial see remarks under applications to ZBA
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Hemmor Development LLC Bryant Island Tax Map U-29, Lot# 22	Made no comments
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Hubbard Beach Association Stonedam Island Road	Recommended approval Replenish sand on existing beach
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Steven Merrill 59 Spindle Point Road Tax Map U-24, Lot# 40	Recommended approval Construct perch beach remove boulder
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David Eastwood 44 Wagon Wheel Trail Tax Map U-18, Lot# 11	Recommended approval Construct seasonal dock
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At this time the Committee has reviewed 33 applications to the DES and 16 to the ZBA.

Signage Committee

Ron Kiesel reported that the location of all four signs has been establish and Town work crews will install them. Estimated completion date within two weeks.

Smyth show the Commission members the final design of the boundary markers. These are round disks 4" dia. which will be placed on Conservation easements and town owned land under conservation commission control. By motion of Pisapia, seconded by Novicki and approved Smyth was authorized to purchase 250 of these at a cost not to exceed \$500.00. By motion of Pisapia, seconded by MacFarlane and approved Ron Kiesel was

authorized to purchase aluminum nails to fasten these markers.

Open Space Committee

Ron Kiesel reports that there has been no new ATV since the signs were in place.

A new abutter to the Old Stanton Road appears to want to use this road as a driveway. As the status of this road's relationship to the Hamlin Town Forest is being questioned it was recommended to have this matter referred to the Town attorney for review and opinion. Chairman Sherman to follow up.

Donald MacFarlane presented a map showing the location of the new trails in Hamlin and Eames. The Commission voted to approve the new trail system as shown on the map supplied. A new bridge may be necessary. MacFarlane

was requested to determine the estimated costs and whether these trails could be prepared by volunteers.

Paula Wanzer reported that the requested list has been supplied to Roger Hogan.

Chairman Sherman reported that the final draft of the easement document is now ready for his review and signature.

MacFarlane reported on the trip to the Hubbard Brook Experimental Forest. Excellent and informative

Media Committee

Smyth gave the Commission two drafts of potential news releases. All members were asked to review and make comments. One covered the preparation of the signs for conservation lands and the other covered the activities of the Dredge and Fill Committee.

Natural Resource Inventory Committee

Jacque Colburn reported that the final draft of the report is now ready. A final review is scheduled for August 8. If no changes are made the report is essentially complete. All that remains is to collate the material and publish.

At 9:10 PM by motion of Pisapia seconded by MacFarlane and voted affirmatively (all members Polled) the Commission went into executive session to discuss potential land or easement acquisition.

Chairman Sherman recused himself and left the room.

At 9:15 PM the Commission came out of executive session.

Subsequent to coming out of executive session by motion of Pisapia, seconded by Smyth and voted affirmatively the Commission authorized the payment of \$2,437.50 to cover the Commission's portion of appraisal costs on the property discussed in executive session.

By motion of Colburn, seconded by MacFarlane the meeting adjourned at 9:18 PM.

Next meeting scheduled August 18, 2005 at the Town Hall Annex,

Respectfully submitted,

Robert A. LeCount, Secretary