

Meredith Conservation Commission

Meredith, NH 03253

Minutes of the Meredith Conservation Commission Meeting.....February 16, 2006

Meeting:

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

Members Attending:

John Sherman, Peter Miller, Robert LeCount, Barbara Smyth, Jacquie Colburn. Alternate members: Paul DelFrari,
Pauli Novicki
Guests: Albert Ducharme, Paul J. Fortier

Minutes:

The following correction to the February 2 meeting minutes was made;

Under Open Space Activities change to read It was agreed that snow mobiles could use Old Stanton Road
Not ATVs

With this correction by motion of Miller, seconded by Smyth and voted affirmatively the minutes were approved.

Discussion:

Chairman Sherman invited Mr. Ducharme and Mr. Fortier to enter the discussion with the Commission over the "Declaration of Covenants for Cluster Development on New Road February 2006. While the Meredith Conservation Commission applauds the conservation intention of the Declarant as stated in IV Land Use--Green Area The Commissioners informed Mr. Ducharme and Mr. Fortier that it was their experience that the best and highest level of conservation protection for the property covered in the Declaration is through the granting of a conservation easement. Both Mr. Ducharme and Mr. Fortier **rejected** the placement of a conservation easement of the property. Further discussion brought out several other suggestions and comments to improve the Declaration as presently written. At the end of the discussions by motion of Miller, seconded by LeCount and voted affirmatively the following statement was approved " The Meredith Conservation Commission does not endorse the Declaration of Covenants for Cluster Development on New Road as presented to them."

Chairman Sherman reported that he is ready to sign a contract Th Rick Van de Poll on his work covering phase II of the Natural Resource Inventory. The requested changes in fee schedules have been worked out. The total cost of the contract as signed will be \$18,000.00. The additional \$500.00 covers Dr. Van de Poll's presentation of the total project at a public meeting. By motion of Miller, seconded by Smyth and voted affirmatively the total project cost of \$18,000.00 was approved and Chairman Sherman was authorized to sign the contract. Further discussion covered preparation and timing of press releases and public meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM.

Next Meeting scheduled March 2, 2006 at the Police Station.

Respectfully submitted,

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Robert A. LeCount, Secretary

