

Meredith Conservation Commission

Meredith, NH 03253

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

Meeting:

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

Members Attending:

Barbara Smyth, John Sherman, Peter Miller, Pauli Novicki, Ralph Pisapia, Robert LeCount. Alternate Members: Terry Lance, Paul DelFrari, Dan Heyduk, Paula Wanzer

In the absence of regular member Donald MacFarlane Chairman Sherman authorized Paul DelFrari to voted in his place.

Minutes:

By motion of Pisapia, seconded by Smyth and voted affirmatively the minutes of November 2, 2006 were approved

Treasurer's Report:

The following invoices were presented for payment by the Treasurer:

Peter Miller	\$27.25	sign hardware
Robert LeCount	25.00	registration at New Hampshire Law Lecture Series.
Barbara Smyth	35.00	registration at seminar by NHACC

By motion of LeCount, seconded by Novicki and voted affirmatively these invoices were approved for payment.

By motion of Pisapia, seconded by Smyth and voted affirmatively the Commission authorized the payment of a \$100.00 donation to the Belknap County Conservation District. This donation will support their conservation activities in the county.

The Commission has submitted its 2007 budget to the selectmen for their approval.

Business:

Open Space Activities:

Chairman Sherman reported that there will be a site visit to the Feltham Property on Sunday, November 19, at 9:30 , meet at the Community Center,

By motion of Pisapia, seconded by Novicki and voted affirmatively the Commission set up the Feltham Advisory Group. This will be headed by Dan Heyduk. Members will be Paula Wanzer, John Sherman, Peter Miller

It was reported that the proposed two town warrant articles have been delivered to the town management.

Chairman Sherman distributed copies of two E-mails. The first sent to Town Manager, Carol Granfield, requesting

the authority to place several mailboxes in Hamlin Conservation parking lot. The E-mail went on to say "We feel that the placing of private post boxes in a public Town parking area an inappropriate use of that area" The second was the Town Managers response. Besides giving the background and reason for this move the E-mail, went to say " The Conservation Commission has the authority to authorize this and upon speaking with the Chair of the Conservation Commission authorization has not been given...."

Discussion followed. Chairman Sherman indicated that no member of the Commission had been contacted about this move, discussed with any person and authorized it in any manner. He then appointed Pauli Novicki to head up a group, Terry Lance and Paul DelFrari, to investigate the situation, evaluate alternatives and report back to the Commission.

At 8:35 PM by motion of Miller, seconded by Pisapia and voted affirmatively (all members polled) the Commission went into executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

At 8:50 PM by motion of Smyth, seconded by LeCount and voted affirmatively the Commission came out of executive session.

Meeting adjourned at 8:53 PM.

Next meeting scheduled December 7, 2006 at the Community Center. This will be the only meeting in December. Members are reminded that at least one hour of the December 7 meeting will be reserved to hear Rick Van de Poll's presentation on the present status of the Natural Inventory.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert A. LeCount, Secretary