

Meredith Conservation Commission
MINUTES – Feb 2, 2012
Meredith Community Center – 7:00 PM

Attending Members: John Sherman, Tony Sabutis, Bob Davis, Mark Billings, Mary Kahn, Bob Lecount, Don MacFarlane, Paula Wanzer, Peter Miller, Sandi Mucci

Members of the Public Attending: Paul Dillon, John Hodgdon

Meeting called to order: 7pm by Mark Billings

Minutes from Jan 19, 2012

- Motion: Bob D
- Second: Don
 - Accepted as written

Dredge & Fill – Bob Davis

- No report

Treasurers Report

- No report

New Business

- Slide Show for Town Meeting – Paula
 - The 4 minute slide show was previewed and suggestions were made. Paula will update the show and place a copy in the office for review.
- FRPP Report for Longridge Farm– Tony
 - Tony reports that the report was submitted in October 11
- History of MCC – Sandy & Mary
 - ⊖ Sandy and Mary are looking for people who they may speak to about the commission, and it was also suggested that they look at the town reports and the MCC files in the Office. Mary will check with Ben Moyer about people who have given easements and placed land in conservation.

Old Business

- Waukewan Watershed Advisory Committee
 - Where do we want to be? There was a short discussion and we decided to wait for the meeting this summer. In the meantime, we should plan to attend the March 7th meeting with Sarah Steiner at 8 am.
- Hamlin-Eames bridge repairs
 - This is a big project, and, depending on the state of the other bridges, it may be a more extensive project.
 - John S stated that there was a record of another gentleman in the file – Jim Eckhart – who submitted a plan the last
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- time to build the Hamlin bridges. John offered to see if he is still available.
- Page ecological assessment
 - John reports that it is in the beginning phase.

MCC Member Comments

- Dan will be presenting History of Page Pond at Friends of Library, February 23, 3pm. The public is welcome to attend. Paula will put the information on the MCC Facebook page.
- There was a discussion about whether, in the digital age, we should continue to keep a hard copy of the minutes. It was decided that Paula should add the Meredith Conservation Commission to her email list and send previous copies, that she has on her computer, to the MCC office computer. Also, a copy is sent to two individuals at the Meredith Town Hall.
- Community Forest Folder – missing
 - Tony noted that he could not find the Meredith Community Town Forest folder and asked if anyone had seen it.
- Meeting time
 - We will continue to meet at 7pm. Mark knows system so we can close up after the normal closing time of the community center, 8pm. We will however need a backup plan in case Mark is unable to attend the meeting.

Chair Comments

- There will be a walk of Hawkins Brook snowmobile trail to review path 3/8 – Meet at 9:30a behind MVSB
- There is a report that discusses Hawkins Brook by Rick Van de Poll. Mark hasn't read it yet but will email members to let us know when it's available.

Public Comments

- John Hodgeton brought it to our attention that the shop, one of the three historic buildings that is included in the easement, is in need of repair. Peter noted that the grant stipulates that the exterior must be preserved and that it might be constructive to check with LCHIP about preservation. Other suggestions were that we make a site visit, take pictures and talk to the NH Preservation Society. Peter agreed to call LCHIP and check with them about the situation.

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Adjourn

- Don: Motion
- Bob D: Second
 - Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm

Next meeting:

March 1
Meredith Community Center
Room C, 7pm

Submitted by:
Paula Wanzer, Secretary