

Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes

June 10, 2013

Present: Nate Fogg, chair; Dave Mankus, vice-chair; Relf Fogg; Tom Dube; Dave Tinkham (alt)

Dave Tinkham, alternate, was seated to replace absent members.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm.

➤ **Natural Resources Inventory Ad-Hoc Committee**

Dustin Johnson of the Acton Wakefield Water Shed Alliance reviewed potentially useful maps for the Natural Resources Inventory. He explained the following maps can be created: a base map, conservation lands, drinking water resources, zoning, and unfragmented blocks.

D Mankus noted he would like to see the prime farmland soils.

Mr. Johnson replied he is not sure how useful those would be, but if the Commission identified what they would like he can pick up with more research in the fall.

Nancy Spencer-Smith (member of public) noted some work has been done on the prime wetlands.

N Fogg stated they can further work on identifying what they need as they proceed through the chapters and it appears the historical and archeological sections may be what they have the most information on.

➤ **List of Conservation Land in Wakefield**

N Fogg noted a review of the spreadsheet needs to be done to be sure the easements/deeds are up to date.

D Tinkham stated he would review the Assessing records and provide an update at the next meeting.

➤ **Forestry Meeting**

Scheduled for the meeting on July 22nd.

➤ **PREP Grant submitted for review**

D Mankus updated the Commission that it was submitted and they should hear something soon.

➤ **Branch River Valley Byway update.**

N Fogg stated that the scenic byway along Rt. 153 has been designated for approximately twenty years and the Strafford Regional Planning Commission is working on ways to draw interest by locating historical & cultural sites along the byway.

➤ **Pride Day Wrap-up**

N Fogg stated the blue board has been located and is downstairs of the Town Hall. Their booth location was great and thanked D Mankus for his help manning the booth for the day.

➤ **Conservation Camp**

N Fogg noted the date has been revised to August 11th to the 16th as requested by the parents he questioned how they would like to expend the funds and the Commission determined to expend the funds from the Lake Associations and the balance from the budget.

➤ **Consideration of Minutes**

The public minutes from May 13th were reviewed.

R Fogg made a motion to approve the public minutes from May 13th as presented. D Tinkham seconded the motion. The vote was 4-0-1 (T Dube abstained) the motion carried.

➤ **Rules and Procedures**

N Fogg has a draft copy of the Rules and Procedures used by the Planning Board and will distribute a copy to the Commission for review.

➤ **Other**

There were no applications for review.
There was no correspondence to review.

➤ **Next Meeting**

The date for the next meeting is scheduled for June 24th, 2013 at 7:30 PM.

R Fogg made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by D Tinkham. The vote was 5-0 in favor of the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 8:57pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Amelia Capone-Muccio