

Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes

June 23, 2014

Present: Nate Fogg, chair; Dave Mankus, Relf Fogg, Tom Dube, Steve Brown and Dave Tinkham (alt).

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm at the Union Meadows property off Harmony Drive.

➤ **Public**

Mr. O'Neil, abutting homeowner on Harmony Drive, expressed his concerns to the Commission with regards to opening the property up for more public use. He explained there is already a big problem with dumping and feels opening it up more it will increase the trash problems. He also expressed his concern with the added traffic past his house.

➤ **Board Business**

The Commission walked the property of Union Meadows and discussed the area close to RT. 16 that is gated and discussed using that area for a possible parking area and boat launch. N Fogg noted that the State is not in favor having traffic entering and exiting this area although it seems the most logical area. He explained the gate is opened in the winter months for snowmobile use but gated in the off season because of the high traffic, train tracks and intersection.

The Commission also discussed addressing the dumping in the area by using game cameras and opening up the trees to be more visible from Rt. 16.

➤ ***Review of Application/ Correspondence***

The Commission reviewed the following applications/correspondence:

- Shore land impact-Anthony/Tina Firicano
- Two missing Information notices- William Scally & James Boucher

N Fogg stated that Sue Winslade has indicated that she may be interested in selling a Conservation Easement on her property in order to help sell her property as it has been on the market for some time. He noted the Commission may be interested in this as it abuts the Gage Hill property.

D Tinkham stated that such an easement may enhance what they already have at Gage Hill. He noted that the property would have restricted access but the purpose could be to just preserving the property.

D Mankus suggested they look into making the Gage Hill property the first project they promote to the public vs. the Union Meadows They may need to address the parking at Gage Hill first.

➤ ***Next Meeting***

The date for the next meeting is scheduled for July 14, 2014 at 7:00 PM.

➤ **Public**

None.

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 8:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Amelia Capone-Muccio