

**TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 30, 2015**

Present: Greg Hammett, Chairman; Lynne Borofsky, Tom Duston, Kathy Thatcher, Jeff Newcomer, Pam Walton, Brad Roscoe, Selectboard Representative, Steve Hardy (arrived at 7:35 PM) and Amy LaFontaine, Secretary.

1). Visitors –

A). Ken Walton was present to discuss the Snowmobile Trail in Friedsam. There are several clean-up projects from the trail work that need to be addressed; lumber from the old bridge, sticks and stumps, plastic garbage and disturbed areas that should be reseeded. Lynne will have them come to the next meeting.

B). John Koopmann was present to discuss enforcement of wetlands and code compliance. Tom and Kathy will be reviewing and visiting the property on Glebe Road tomorrow.

2). Tom moved to approve October 26<sup>th</sup> minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Jeff and passed unanimously.

3). New Permits – The Commission discussed the need for wetlands scientists to review designated wetlands before major developmental projects.

A). Hampshire Timber Holdings complete forestry notification for California Brook Natural Area.

B). Pisgah Park Forestry Notification Department of Resources and Economic Development.

4). Outstanding Permits – Tom asked the Selectboard that the Commission be involved in reviewing the Septic System applications. Steve suggested that the Code Enforcement Officer could become or be a Certified State of NH Wetlands Scientist.

5). Grants, Events – Lynne is finishing her final report to Fields Pond. There were 5 projects:

A). Madame Sherri Forest Trailhead Bridge

B). Ann Stokes Trail Deck & Walkway in Madame Sherri Forest

C). Walkway in Ancient Oaks

D). Sargent Trail Walkway

E). Repair to Ravine Bridge

Lynne submitted for \$6,906; Fields Pond awarded \$3,000. The projects were completed for a total cost of \$6,915

Lynne is also working on the Final Report to Quabbin 2 Cardigan. We should know by next week if the Commission has been awarded the repairs to the ravine bridge that have already been completed. Her next project is a request from Trailwright's for the stone step work on the other side of the Ravine Bridge.

6). Spofford Lake Report – Pam reported Lake level is 22 to 23 inches below.

7). Website – Jeff will continue to monitor blogs and thanking Fields Pond for the \$3,000 grant.

8). Tools – Steve reported that he had put non-ethanol fuel in the saws. The Commission continues to look for uses for the Brush Hog.

9). Trail Development & Land Projects –

A). Tom reported that there is no overflow parking currently at Madame Sherri Forest.

B). There will be a work session December 12<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM for placing trail signs in Pisgah through the Monadnock Wantistiquet Trail.

C). Cory Shepherd is the anonymous builder who repaired the bridge in Friedsam Forest.

D). Tom reported someone had posted a sign stating Castle 150 Yards.

10). Selectboard Report – Brad reported that Chet had resigned and the No Overflow Parking in Madame Sherri's. Brad swore in Steve and Jeff and reviewed the Conflict of Interest Policies

11). Other –

A). Amy reported that the final meeting on the Hazard Mitigation Plan was today.

B). The Commission discussed the impact on wetlands in the development across from Friedsam on Route 63.

C). The Right to Know workshop is Thursday 7 to 9 at the Town Hall

12) Adjournment – The next meeting will be January 25, 2016. Steve will be the Chair. The following meeting will be February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Jeff will be the Chair. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for March 28<sup>th</sup>. Kathy will be the Chair. Tom moved to adjourn at 8:55 PM. The motion was seconded by Jeff and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy LaFontaine  
Secretary

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Greg Hammett  
Chairman

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