

## Ashby Conservation Commission

### Minutes for the Meeting of August 1, 2012

Meeting opened at 7:30pm with Tim Bauman, Cathy Kristofferson, Bob Leary and Roberta Flashman in attendance.

The minutes of July 18, 2012 were reviewed and accepted unanimously as written.

**Treasurer's Report:** nothing to report

#### **Correspondence:**

Notice from NRWA for payment of annual dues. Motion made and 2<sup>nd</sup> to pay the \$50. Unanimously accepted.

Email from Bill Davis, Highway Supt., regarding wetland filling complaint about activity on County Road. The activity was the Highway Dept clearing a path to the culvert.

#### **Old Business:**

Forest Legacy up-date. Resubmitted CR for Tract I. The CR is now on way from DCR to Forest Service to add a clause for homesteading. Deadline of end of Fiscal year 2012 (June 30<sup>th</sup>) was apparently extended.

Up-date regarding the anonymous letter concerning a dock to an island in the Ashby Reservoir constructed without permits. There are no signs on the island prohibiting anyone. It is unclear how the people who built the bridge are keeping others off the island.

OOO for John and Laurie Dillon, 72 Allen Road regarding addition to home, DEP # 93-334, signed on Friday, July 20, 2012 and delivered.

During the change of Web addresses for the Town, the email was not able to be accessed outside of Town Hall. Uncertain whether this was due to new set up or operator error. Now up and running again. Old email addresses are being forwarded to the new address.

#### **New Business:** unposted because unexpected

Town of Ashby, through Lois Raymond, wanted to know if there are any issues with the town owned property on Richardson Rd, abutting Bruce Adams property. There were Endangered Species on the properties, requiring an analysis from NHESP of how the property could be developed. Members seem to remember that there might be water (stream) on the property as well. Would need a site visit for full determination.

A site visit has been requested by Charlie Parlee of the Ashby Stock to see if an area is a protectable wetland. An initial site visit by the Commission should be able to determine whether it is within the scope of expertise, or whether we need a consultant to make the determination. Site visit scheduled for 7:00am on Friday, Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Roberta received a request from one of the farms in town to have their property put into a Conservation Restriction. Roberta will investigate whether there is APR or any other grant money available. She will also discuss the project with the Ashby Land Trust, as they would be the most likely organization to hold the CR and monitor the property.

Discussion of purchase of new laptop for the Commission. Roberta will investigate options and present her findings to the Commission by September..

**Hearings:** none

**Hearings Scheduled:** None

**Site Visits:**

July 20<sup>th</sup> at 8am. Lot 3 Richardson Rd. Bruce Adams with plans for house. Has OOC for foot driveway with crossing. Site visit confirming house and septic placement. Tim and with Bruce and Justin

800'  
Cathy

**Site Visits Needed:**

Ashby Stock Farm. – Friday, Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 7:00am.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Flashman