

Ashby Conservation Commission

Minutes for the Meeting of January 16, 2013

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

Minutes of the meeting of December 19, 2012 were reviewed and accepted unanimously as written. There was no meeting on January 2, 2013 for lack of a quorum.

**Treasurer's Report:** \$529.96 paid for the computer purchase. \$783 is the balance of the budget.

**Correspondence:**

Cutting Plan for Duffy property on Main Street, Ashby received. Dan Cyr is listed as the Forester on the project. Commission does not have any comments to make during the time between the application was submitted and the time of approval.

**Old Business:**

The Commission will be donating the old laptop computer to the library for the student work program.

The Enforcement Order issued by the Conservation Commission remains in effect for 854 South Road. We continue to wait for an NOI. Apparently issues about the septic system remain with the BOH. Stop Work order also has been issued by the Building Inspector. The owners withdrew their request for a variance for a 2<sup>nd</sup> story from the ZBA, when it was apparent that the request would be denied.

The Boy Scout merit badge project relating to environmental protection is on hold until Spring because of snow cover. Project is all set to be on Deer Bay Road.

Monitoring has been completed for all three Forest Legacy properties. Boundaries have been marked for the Mikola and Moulton properties. The McCauley property CR has been completed and the payment made. Nashua River Watershed will be making copies of the baselines for the Town.

**New Business:**

Letter from owner, Dick Barbary, of property at 2376 West State Road regarding clearing trees downed by a microburst last fall. Commission sent a letter authorizing clean-up with conditions. Cathy responded with a letter outlining due diligence in removal of the trees.

Cathy provided a list of Filing Fees for Commissions with approved town conservation by-laws as a point of reference for our own modest State mandated fees.

Tim, Roberta and Cathy have all introduced themselves to the new Town Administrator, Bob Hanson. Office hours are M. T. & W., 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. (phone ext. - 25).

Annual MACC conference is on March 2, 2013. Commissioners should be thinking about whether they want to attend and which workshops they want to attend. Conference fee is \$115 per attendee.

**Hearings:** None

**Hearings Scheduled:** None

**Site Visits:** None

**Site Visits Needed:** None

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Flashman

