

PRESENT: John Mersfelder, Chris Conrod, Nat Steele, Peter Cooperdock,
Peg King, Betty Steele

1. Minutes of the July meeting were approved, with one exception. Item 9, first paragraph should read - four hearings "only one of which was well attended by land owners."

2. Dredge and Fill. Lindsay - Minutes of July 27th meeting were approved. (Moved by Chris, seconded by Peg, and voted). John gave out copies of the TCC letter written to the Wetlands Board, as well as minutes of the July 27th meeting. The Wetlands Board has voted to reconsider its denial of the Lindsay application and will set a hearing date after receipt of consultant's report.

Chocorua Lake Conservation Foundation. Its plan has been modified because of cost. The revised plan has been approved by the Wetlands Board, with a number of conditions. TCC has not copy of the revised application.

Helen Steele - a revised plan has been approved by the Board.

Duck Pond. Carroll County Independent reported a proposal to blow up the Beaver Dam here. It was agreed to write DRED (Dept. of Resources and Economic Development) which was applicant for dam repairs, to let them know a dredge and fill permit would be needed for destroying the lodge, as it is quite separate from the dam. Also to let DRED know that TCC is interested in what is taking place, as there seems no need to blow up the lodge as a means to control beaver, and that TCC would like to discuss the situation.

Johnson, Gilman Valley Road - Complaint. Johnson states that Chocorua Forest Lands which has a permit to quarry gravel has, in the process, damaged Stoney Brook through soil erosion from cleared land and that they were never notified of this activity. It was agreed no action by TCC was appropriate at this time since there was little specific information in the letter, but that members should check into the whole situation in the area and report to Water Quality Bureau if that is indicated.

3. Wetlands Board. John had a letter from Marge Swope in response to TCC suggestion of regulatory power for commissions as a subject for consideration which stated that the subject had been discussed both at an annual meeting and by the NHACC Board of Directors; the latter had voted against such a policy, that is, not to pursue it for legislation, and gave specific reasons.

Revised applications. It was agreed to write Marge to thank for her letter, and also to ask that TCC receive a copy of any revised applications, as it would like to comment on them. There are at least three cases in which activities were taking place on which TCC had little information.

4. Ken Kettenring - visit and presentation on September 29th, 7:30 p. m. It was agreed to hold this in the Town Hall, to invite Conservation Commissions, Planning Boards, Road Agents and Selectmen in all contiguous towns, except Waterville Walley, but to include Eaton and Freedom, as towns having similar conservation concerns to the Town of Tamworth. Individual invitations would go to all these people, to be mailed by September 1st. John and Ned will work out the invitation, after asking Kettenring for the topic of his talk. Peg will get mailing list from NHACC, Lakes Region Planning and, as necessary, by a call to town clerks. She will also arrange with Bill Wrobleski as to use of Town Hall. Kettenring is Staff Administrator for the Wetlands Bureau.

4. Easement Monitoring. Chris had talked with Will Farnum about a TCC tour of the Cave easement on Saturday Sept. 19 or 26, a 3 or 4 hour trip. It was agreed Chris should pursue this with Joan Cave and notify TCC at the next meeting.
5. LCIP. John had had a letter from Will Abbott, Exec. Dir. of LCIP to say that LCIP would close down in 1993, having completed its land protection missions and that CORD (State Council on Resources and Development) would have permanent oversight responsibility for all protected land. As the Town of Tamworth has agreed to effective stewardship of easements under LCIP, Mr. Abbott requested an account of plans for monitoring these, and the name of the person responsible. It was agreed that Chris Conrod, as Chairman of Easement Monitoring, should be named as the person responsible. Mr. Abbott also offered free signs, on a first-come first-serve basis, and sent a sample of working on signs. It was agreed, however, not to ask for these as the working might not be appropriate for all easements and as TCC would prefer consistency in signs on all its easements.
6. Household Hazardous Waste. John stated a report was expected from Lakes Region Planning as to Tamworth participation in this. As Harold was not present there was no report on progress in recycling leaves and pine needles, but Nat reported the Behrs were interested in this recycling.
7. Education - May Bird Walks. Peggy Damon, who has led these walks since their inception some years ago, is moving out of town to a retirement home, so can no longer continue them. John reported that Ned Beecher has agreed to continue this program, as leader of the walks, on a similar basis as Peg has been doing. It was agreed a letter of thanks and appreciation should go to Peg for all her time and effort; Betty will write the letter and bring it to the next meeting for all to sign.
8. Time Capsule. Yvonne Hills is in charge of capsule to be opened in 2092, and wants information for it. It was agreed that photos would be most appropriate - aerial photos of easement monitoring, and photos from Great Hill Tower to show landscape. Chris will get these together. It was agreed that much of TCC activity is already a matter of public record in Town Report and newspaper articles.
9. Nature Trails - there was some discussion of these, but decided to table the matter until the next meeting.
10. VOTE II To appropriate \$75 for expenses for the Sept. 29 meeting. (Moved by Nat, seconded by Peter, and voted unanimously).
11. Bryant Mill - a progress report is needed on the public right of way.

Betty Steele