
Tamworth Conservation Commission
Tamworth, NH 03886

Meeting - October 11, 1993

Present: John Mersfelder, Ned Beecher, Lori Gerard, Chris Conrod, Peg King,
Betty Steele

1. Minutes of previous meeting approved.
2. Easement - Alt. Opposite house, 38 acres, 450 ft. setback, limit one house. John and Chris have looked at it. Selectmen want right of public access. They were also concerned about siting of house, but it was felt that requiring the 450' set back would take care of this, and that requiring a more specific site would be impractical as some years hence when house might be built town regulations might be quite different. Dick Alt came to the meeting for most of this discussion. Was agreeable to public access and will draft phrasing of it and get it to John in time so he can go to Selectmen this Thursday.

VOTE I - That the Alt easement be approved with the provision that an acceptable clause for public access be included. (Moved by Betty, seconded by Ned)

3. Signing on easement lands. Ned reported Community School wanted proposed wording on its sign to say "purchased" instead of "given". Dick Alt, who was still at the meeting, said he was agreeable to having signs on all his easements and would like them basically uniform in wording and looks. Scott Aspinall would approve a sign, and also wants to name area as a wildlife sanctuary. Betsy Loughran would approve a sign. Dick Alt suggested TCC should consider upkeep of signs. Freeto, Olton and Lindsays haven't been contacted, as it was felt signs might not be practical for one reason or another. Chris will check with Willie Farnum re signs on Cave easement - it was suggested there be two, one at entrance to easement area on public access woodroad, and the other at entrance to easement area on wood road which leads off Hemenway Road. It was agreed that TCC would like to have a prototype sign first before ordering all of them. Ned will contact Kennet High School shop manager to see about this.
4. Earle Remick Natural Area boundary. At the time this was purchased from the Soc. for the Protection of N. H. Forests it was not possible to determine this as Edwin Remick didn't want to negotiate an agreement on his boundary with the natural area, and his boundary line was different from that of TCC. It was agreed at the time that decision on the exact boundary could wait until such time as it was feasible to negotiate this. Now, since Dr. Remick has died and his land is left to the Town, would be an appropriate time to settle this. Peg has talked with Earline, who is manager of the lands, and found that all the land is to be surveyed. TCC will ask for a copy of survey, and if boundary with current TCC land disagrees with survey, it can be negotiated and deed to Remick Natural Area changed, if necessary.
5. Perkins Easement Trail - no word from Eric Anderson as to whether he wants to go ahead with project discussed at last meeting. Maybe he has dropped the project. Betty reported the Andersons were building a house in Moultonboro, near the Lees Mill area and planned to moved there in a few months, so Eric's interests may focus there rather than in Tamworth.

6. Big Pines Trail clearing. Date for this is now Sunday, October 17th, meeting at 7:30 at trail head. Peg King will serve breakfast at 6:45 that morning. John, Chris, Lori and probably Ned will work on it. Rain prevented the clearing being done as originally planned.
7. N. H. Association of Conservation Commission meeting Saturday, November 6. John and Betty will go. John will send in registration. Betty would like to be signed up for the field trip on wetlands evaluation. John will send Lori the bill for dues for NHACC.
8. Skandia North, violation. Skandia North has just, last Tuesday, contacted the Planning Board. They will need a waiver to put in cul de sac rather than a connecting road, and don't know how long that may take. However, this doesn't take care of the violation. John will write them to say if they don't intend to file an after the fact application, TCC must report the violation to the Wetlands Board. It was pointed out that Skandia had missed the deadline for getting in touch with the Planning Board.
9. Bowles Bridge - erosion. Selectmen don't know whether or not this is a town road. Chris has drafted a letter which John will send to Bruce to tell him that when the present erosion reaches the brook he will be in violation of the law and that this area should be stabilized before this happens.
10. Ricker Salvage - violation reported in anonymous call to Planning Board. John and Chris checked and found no violation of tires and stumps put in wetland in area reported, but that there is a stump dump in another part of the property. They could not determine whether or not this was a wetland, so felt that unless this stump dump is to be expanded further no action needs to be taken. They reported Ricker was most cooperative in showing them the property; John will write to thank him for this and report on the decision of TCC.
11. March violation. A letter of last year from Wetlands Board, Kettenring, included a report from an agent of U S Fish and Wildlife to say there is a section, 140', of slope which should be stabilized. Kettenring has closed the case. However, it was felt that TCC should check to see that the stabilization has been done and report to Wetlands Board. Ned will check.
12. Minimum impact applications - L. Flaccus and James Alt, both managed by Aspinall.
13. Tin Mt. has written to thank TCC for helping fund the Brett School program, and enclosed the bill of \$1040, not \$1200 as previously estimated. Simone will be glad to have TCC visit a class and Peg will do so.
14. Violation on road off Fowlers Mill Road, reported by Lori. She will get full information on this for next TCC meeting.
15. TCC material - Ned reported Peter Cooperdock had turned in all he had, and Ned will get it to Mike Johnson.

Betty