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**Tamworth Conservation Commission**  
**Tamworth, NH 03886**

DRAFT MINUTES - MEETING June 10, 1996

PRESENT: John Mersfelder, Chris Conrod, Lori Ger ard, Roy Ames, Betty Steele  
Mia Gannon - Planning Board John Roberts - Selectmen

1. Minutes of the May meeting were approved.
2. Treasurer's report. Lori read from a letter from an auditing firm which had done a preliminary survey of town books which noted the Town did not have custody of the Conservation Commission savings account (conservation Fund) and should have it. It was agreed the Town should now have custody and that Lori should give a copy of the records to the Town Treasurer. The letter referred to above was from the Town Treasurer, but reporting on the auditing firm's findings. TCC would prefer waiting for the change in funds until after the audit. Perhaps the Treasurer for the Town would like to meet with TCC. It was agreed there should be an article in the Town Warrant to the effect that annually unexpended funds from the appropriation should be transferred to the Conservation Fund.
3. TCC members. John said Kris Bontaitis was interested in serving and it was agreed should would be a good member. Scott Aspinall is also interested. It was suggested that they be invited to a TCC meeting.
4. Dredge and Fill - Remick Trust. John reported a letter from wetlands Board requesting further comments. Apparently Chris's letter written several days ago had not yet been received, and John Roberts said that they still did not have it just last Friday. There seems to be a problem at the Wetlands Board, so perhaps letters should be seat certified mail. John and Chris had met with Jonathan Williams, who hadn't seen the revised plan. He was concerned about the septic, but seemed less so after a full explanation.
5. Legislation. John reported the following bills had passed House and Senate - HB 1571 re trails (though wording was ambiguous), HB 1597 which among other things transferred dredge and fill authority to Wetlands Board staff, with Wetlands Board changed to Wetlands Council and serving as an appeals board. HB 1399 has passed both houses of N H legislature.
6. Sludge and septage - HB 1323 has passed House and Senate-. It was agreed to wait and see how this develops. John hoberts said there will be a hearing on June 18th, 7:00 p.m. on the sludge for LeTarte's gravel pit. BFI had wanted Selectmen to grant a naiver, which they refused to do.
7. Easement - Laura Havelock. John had written'. a letter, which pleased her greatly, offering support, but in general terms. She still had a question as to how much TCC might contribute, and to know about time frame. It was agreed it would only be a token contribution to show support. The whole matter may be moot anyway as the land is already on the market. John will write again.
8. By-Laws, John presented a draft of By-Laws which was discussed at length and changes agreed on. John will bring a new draft to the next meeting. He and Charlie Townsend had worked on this.

9. Trails. John and Betty had gone over Easy Walkers Trail at Big Pines, which Garden Club had originally laid out, but had given up several years ago. One number sign is missing, and the descriptions could well be changed in accordance with the present plant situation. John had walked the Earle Remick Trail and said it was in bad shape. He will go over it again with Nancy Coville, who had originally laid it out, to see what could be done. John suggested a volunteer might be found who would be interested in both trails and updating the brochures. He will draft a notice for the paper to ask for help. A new brochure for all TCC trails should be made.
10. Planning Board. Mia reported the Planning Board is pulling together a flier, looking towards Tamworth 2000, to include a survey, similar to the one done for the Master Plan.
11. Household Hazardous Waste Day - July 27th. John distributed fliers to be posted around town.

Betty Steele

Draft Minutes to be approved at July meeting.