

Tamworth Conservation Commission
Tamworth, NH 03886

MAR 12 1998

DRAFT MINUTES - MEETING - March 9, 1998

PRESENT: John Mersfelder, Chris Conrod, Charlie Townsend, Kris Bontaites,
Marlene Ostrowski, Betty Steele

1. Alternate voting - both alternates have a vote at this meeting.
2. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.
3. Treas. report, ~~Charlie~~ reported \$12,038.71 in the Conservation Fund. John said tho Selectmen told him the bank book would go in the files in the vault. It was agreed TCC would like to have back the records it had turned over to the Town.

There was a bill from Alan Smith for \$19.95 for a small bird house to hold maps and fliers at Black Spruce.

VOTE I - To accept the bill. Moved by Kris, seconded by Betty.

4. Members - Two terms are up in 1998 - John's and Alan Smith's as alternate. Alan prefers to stay as alternate

VOTE II To nominate John as a regular member and Alan as an alternate, each for three year terms. Duly moved and seconded.

John said he was resigning as chairman as he felt there should be some rotation in order to bring in fresh ideas. He suggested Kris Bontaites as chairman, and she agreed to do it, but said she would expect help from John. John agreed to be vice- chairman.

VOTE III - To elect Kris as chairman and John as vice-chairman.

Duly moved and seconded. Unanimous.

VOTE IV - To re- elect Charlie as treasurer and Betty as recording secretary.

Duly moved and seconded. Unanimous.

Recruitment - John had written up a statement to describe the positions open to be posted at public locations in town, which several members agreed to distribute. It was agreed that Dwight Baldwin might act as consultant - he has a place in Chocorua, although his legal residence is Durham.

There was discussion of possible new members and two names were suggested and agreed upon. This will be pursued. John had sent a certified letter to Roy to ask for an official letter of resignation since Roy no longer wished to servo - that is, if he really wants to resign. He also requested that Roy return his handbooks if he officially resigned.

5. DRED - John had had a letter to say that modifications had been made to the planned cutting in the Bowditch-Runnells Forest near Chocorua River and along Route 16. These had been requested by the Chocorua Lake Conservation Foundation and Chocorua Lake Association. John also reported two forestry minimum impact applications from the Alice Thompson Trust.
6. Easement. Chris reported that Peter Smart, Ned Beecher and Richard Gerard all were interested in easement monitoring. Chris will act as consultant to TCC, especially in this area, but will no longer do this work. In describing the work he had done he said he makes an annual report to the Office of State Planning on the state sponsored easements, to Peter Helm who is LCIY co-ordinator for the state. There have been problems with disposal of machinery over the property line on the Yerkins easement. The Community School has done a lot of cleaning up, but there have been some new encroachments. Peter Helm would like to come up to meet with Hanson and Monty Carlson, or maybe come up earlier to review the area, Chris will still be involved in monitoring to some extent, and would like to monitor the Yerkins easement. Chris is willing to brief the TCC member who takes on easement monitoring.

6. (cont.) Chris reported the three LCIF easements - Perkins, Aspinall and Cave are complete. There are 3 copies of the Cave easement - 1 for reference, one in the vault and the third to the grantor. The other easements all have the required information and all are in the TCC box in the vault. Chris returned handbooks and easement material to TCC.
7. Town of Ossipee property off Depot Road. John had consulted the Ossipee Conservation Commission concerning TCC interest in this, but they were not receptive, so it was agreed not to pursue it now. Kris would like to walk the property, as she is familiar with it, but doesn't know the boundaries.
8. Biosolids. It was agreed the petitioned article as listed in the Warrant should be amended. It was agreed the words protective ordinance should be omitted, and the word recommendations substituted. There was lengthy discussion of the content of the rest of the amendment, with many ideas presented. It was agreed that John, who would present the amendment, would work out the actual wording to include the suggestions made. This he did later, and it is as follows: "There shall be a one year moratorium on the processing, stock piling and land application of municipal sewage sludge (biosolid's) and industrial paper mill sludge so that recommendations can be drafted with regard to such activity. To put forth such recommendations, a Biosolids Study Committee will be formed at an open meeting on Bonday, March 23rd at the Town House. The Committee, which will supersede any extant committee, will be comprised of no fewer than 5 members and no more than 9 members, all registered voters in Tamworth, including, if willing to serve, a member from each of the Selectboard, Planning Board and Conservation Commission,
9. N.H./Vt. Survey Questionnaire. John presented a copy to each member of the summary of replies he received, to be sent in as requested.,
10. Scenic Byway Proposal. There was a scenic byway meeting last week to discuss whether Tamworth wanted to include the segment of Route 113 from Whittier to Chocorua as a scenic byway. A committee, of which Kris Bontaites will be chair person, was formed to study it further.
11. \$ and Sense Workshop, March 16th, 7 - 9 p.m. at the Ossipee Town Library in Center Ossipee. John has talked with the Selectborad. Charlie, Kris and Marlene will post notices.
12. Green Mt. Conservation Group wants to develop a consortium at a meeting later this month.
13. Carroll County Conservation District Annual meeting will be held at the Lobster Trap Hestaurant on West Side Road in North Conway.

Betty Steele

Draft Minutes to be approved at the April 13th meeting.