
Tamworth Conservation Commission
Tamworth, NH 03886

DRAFT MINUTES - MEETING - December 11, 2001

PRESENT: John Mersfelder, Charlie Townsend, Jim Alt, Betty Steele, Laurie Bonica
Scott Aspinall for Friends of Mill Brook

1. Secretary's Minutes were accepted.
2. Treasurer's report. There is \$14,472.01 in the Conservation Fund. John has the signs Chris Conrod made for Bearcamp Field. and they look well. Betty will send Charlie a bill for 120 stamped envelopes.
3. John Mersfelder, who was presiding, reported two violations. At Eliot Auto Center improper storage of oil has been reported. The State has given the Center instructions as to how to correct this. The second one - Emery Roberts has dredged a drainage and put in a culvert without permission.
4. Scott Aspinall reported a new organization, Friends of Mill Brook, has been formed by Willie Farnum, also representing Joan Cave, John Boettinger, Chele Miller and himself. They are concerned with protecting land along the whole corridor of Mill Brook. Joan Cave and Bob Wallace are specifically concerned about protecting their land now. Scott wants to have a map of the corridor showing land already protected, and all significant information about all the land. He would like a copy of all present easements. They will need some fund raising to help finance easements. Green Mt. Conservation Group may accept easements. They would like endorsement from the Conservation Commission, N. H. Fish and Game and others. John said if TCC gives an endorsement it will need more specific information.

There was discussion of a town conservation plan, to up date the one TCC published in the early 70's. It is hoped work with Green Mt. on this. TCC is caretaker of maps to be used as a basis for this. They need to be publicized and readily available to the public. TCC should be a facilitator but the plan should be in charge of a representative of the town. A major need is to protect the aquifer in the southeast corner of the town. Scott left the meeting at this point.

5. Maps. John showed the map? which had just been purchased and laminated. Commission members studied them and discussed various features.
6. For next meeting John asked, that each member check through the earlier plan and mark up what was obsolete and what was relevant now.

Betty Steele

Draft Minutes, to be approved at the January meeting,