

HAMPDEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING
APRIL 19, 2006

Present: Jeff Liquori, Bonnie Geromini, Pat Cote and Charlie Schmitt

Charlie Schmitt opened meeting at 7:00 pm.

Minutes of the March 15th and April 5th meetings were read and accepted with corrections. Approved unanimously.

Minutes of the April 14th meeting were read and accepted. Approved unanimously.

Charlie Arment appeared before the commission in regards to posting the second piece of Conservancy land. Bonnie Geromini stated that the Scantic Valley Riders would be marking trail signs. This will enable them to be higher off the ground and more difficult to be taken down. A suggestion was made that an open meeting be held where people can come and voice their opinions. Mr. Arment stated when signs are ready, he will begin putting them up starting on South Road. Charlie Schmitt made motion to give conditional approval to post no hunting signs on perimeter of Conservancy land with recommendation that Selectmen review approval and hold a public meeting. Also that Selectmen further restrict RV and ATV use on property. Second by Pat Cote. Voted unanimously. Voting yes: Charlie Schmitt, Jeff Liquori, Pat Cote and Bonnie Gerominia. Voting no: none

7:35 pm – NOTICE OF INTENT- Mike Ford, Glendale Road

Notice of Intent for the approval to install a septic system on Parcels Lot 1 & 2 on Glendale Road, which would entail running a septic system line beneath a stream. Bonnie Geromini made recommendation that the Commission hire their own consultant to review the plans. Bonnie to call Tighe & Bond. Site visit will be set when consultant is able to attend. Some of the questions and concerns to be addressed are: (1) Has consultants ever encountered a design such as this; (2) More information on viability of this system; and (3) Mr. Ford's consultant needs to follow proper procedure for notifying abutters and requirements for a public hearing. Hearing continued to May 17, 2006.

Tall Pines- Charlie Schmitt recused himself. Pat Cote asked if a bond would be required? Pete Levesque did not think it was necessary but Natural Heritage might require them to do so. Jeff Liquori stated we could request Natural Heritage that we be included as an "additional insured" on the policy. Due to the absence of a quorum eligible to vote, issues regarding this project will be continued until the next meeting.

Pat Cote to research regulations regarding voting on projects by Commission members.

Russ Cable- South Road- Conservation Commission is in receipt of the addendum to the Restoration plan provided by Pete Levesque. Mr. Levesque still waiting for estimates from landscapers in order to set amount for bond.

Charlie Schmitt reported that he had received a call from Rick Dion of Scantic Road inquiring of procedure to enable him to rebuild and repair a pond that has been completely filled in by debris by the October 2005 storm. Charlie will help Mr. Dion with the proper paperwork.

Mr. Markham, Howlett Hill Road- came in to see when Commission members would be able to do site visit on his property. Bonnie to talk with Carmine in regards to what prerogatives we have along the river. A site visit will be scheduled.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Mikkola, Clerk

Minutes approved on May 17, 2006