

Brookfield Conservation Commission Minutes

August 4th, 2010

Present: Tom Giguere, John Nelson, Dulcie Lavender, Jennifer McKown, Selectman's representative, Ernie Brown

1. The meeting was called to order at 18:02.
2. Public Comments: None
3. Minutes Review from July 7th, 2010: Ernie B. made a motion to accept the minutes as written. John N. seconded, and the motion passed.
4. Mail:
 - A. Two quarterly magazines were presented by John N. The Statewide Program of Action to Conserve our Environment (SPACE) and The Watershed News.
 - B. New Hampshire Town & City had an article on preparing meeting minutes that was discussed.
 - C. The Emerald Ash Borer, an invasive insect making its way across the country, was discussed.
5. Old Business:
 - A. Old Home Day: Old Home Day on the 14th of August will consist of the pancake breakfast, a hike led by Jen, farm tours, a BBQ, and contra dancing. Wendy Scribner, our county forester, is preparing a display board about taking care of our forests. Dulcie L will set up a table to hold the poster, trail guides, and hike information. Ernie B. will announce the CC sponsored hike at the pancake breakfast.
6. New Business:
 - A. Ossipee Commission Project: Tom G discussed this project whereby John Hartog and Joseph Bradley produced a video regarding the Ossipee Caldera; site of an extinct volcano. In the video, the Ossipee Conservation Commission discussed a project to establish a roadside tourist stop inclusive of trails and signs focusing on the extinct volcano. Funds were raised and grants were sought for about \$250,000. Perhaps we could do a similar project in Brookfield by focusing on some of our heritage in Brookfield.

B. Dulcie L. presented a brochure and reported about the Woods, Water, & Wildlife Festival put on by Moose Mountain Regional Greenways at the Branch Hill Farm in Milton Mills. The event is scheduled for Saturday August 7, 2010 from 10AM – 3PM.

7. Report from the Selectmen:

A. Ernie B. has proposed improving portions of Stoneham Rd. and Tibbetts Hill Rd. that are in need of attention.

B. Phase One of the High School is 75% complete as reported by Ernie B.

C. The Selectmen are going have a quarterly administration meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of the month that Selectmen meetings are held. Virginia McGinley and Diana Peckham will attend such meetings in order to enhance communication.

D. Committee Chairmen are responsible for forwarding meeting minutes to the webmaster.

8. Planning Board: The Board has continued to review the Moose Mountain LLC Site Plan application. All items seem to be satisfactory. However due to the heavy rains there are problems with erosion which need to be addressed. The Planning Board will meet at 18:30 on Aug 9, 2010 to address the erosion issues nevertheless the site plan review application should gain approval.

9. Other business: Jennifer M. expressed concern about the Smith gravel pit with accesses to both Governor's Road and Tucker Road. The issue seems to be that tree stumps are being dumped there without proper treatment. Jennifer will further look into this issue.

10. Next meeting: 1st September 2010 at 1800.

11. The meeting was closed at 19:01.

Respectfully submitted _____
John Nelson

Minutes approved: _____