

NEW LONDON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

JANUARY 17,2007

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Present: Laura Alexander, Dan Allen, Dale Conly, Bob Crane, Emma Crane. Terry Dancy, Peter Stanley, Ruth White

Guests: Cindy Lawson, Jud Lawson, Kevin Pelletieri, Ross Stevens

Meeting called to order at 1 PM by Laura Alexander.

The Feb 7th winter walk is at the Lagoons rather than Low Plain. With that correction the minutes were approved.

1-Kevin Pelletieri presented new maps of the John Paul wetland, which showed the delineated wetlands and roads. The CC voted not to oppose the plan of moving the road.

2-Jud Lawson explained that 40 feet of his retaining wall is falling into Pleasant Lake and needs to be repaired. We recommended it be done with similar material. He also needs a standard dredge and fill permit and to create an erosion control plan.

3-It was recommended that the # 4(sign) on the Interpretive Trail be removed and that the small by-pass section not be maintained in the future.

4- Peter showed slides of the Lynch property at Low Plain in preparation for the land swap presentation at Town Meeting. We have been concerned about this area for years and look forward to the town finally owning the entire Davis Path. We will give up our right to use the back part of the right of way, but we don't need that , and the small pond and 50 feet beside the Davis Path would now be owned by the town.A warrant article needs to be created, and we will need to amend our budget as surveying will need to be done. We suggest informational letters we placed in the local papers and the town newsletter and we will lead a walk to the area. Peter will check with Jessie about Feb 24th for the latter.

5. The NLCC voted to accept \$50.00 from the Butterworth family, donated in memory of loved ones.

6. The date for cleaning the duck boxes has been changed to Feb 17th in hopes of safer ice and the Feb 7 th walk will start at 1PM.

7.Knotweed sprayed in 1995 has not grown back at Low plain.

8 . The Commission suggested that New London hold an open meeting to discuss conservation issues as part of the planning for the new Master Plan.

9. We suggested that the high school student eager to help the CC get in touch with Dan as there is a lot of work needing to be done at the Bog. Peter could also use some help at Low Plain.

10. The Sunapee Area Watershed Coalition (SAWC) Watershed Advisory Committee will meet Jan 23 at 6:30 in Newbury to work on regional planning concerns.

11. Dale brought a copy of Harry Snow's map of the Messer Pond development for our information.

12. The CC had understood that we would be kept updated re the mosquito controls the were done in NL last summer This never happened....no prior notice, no results.

13. Our web site is now linked to the town site.

The next meeting is Feb 21, at 1PM, second floor , Town office building.