

Town of New London
Conservation Commission
November 21, 2007
Meeting Minutes Accepted

Present: Laura Alexander, Bob Brown, Bob Crane, Emma Crane, Terry Dancy, Vicki Koron, Les Norman, Peter Stanley, Ruth White

Guests: None present

Meeting was called to order by Les Norman at 1:00 p.m.

1. Minutes of October 17th meeting were approved.

2. Camp Wallula Inc.

Christian Bottinger owner of Camp Wallula has sent a letter to the New London Planning Board asking for clarification on questions that have arisen regarding the future sale of this property. It is his intention to sell separately, building sites and home sites at the camp.

The letter and accompanying information was forwarded to the Conservation Commission from the Planning Board to see if there are specific conservation issues that needed to be addressed before they respond to the letter.

Peter Stanley informed the board of the particulars of the property. The size of the property is 28.4 acres and 450' frontage on Little Lake Sunapee. There are 2 sections of waterfront.

In 1973, there was a final cluster subdivision approval. With the existing state and town regulations there are no additional conservation issues.

3. Messer Pond Protective Association request of financial support.

Messer Pond Protective Association has contracted with Consulting Engineers of Manchester, NH to conduct an evaluation of the Messer Pond watershed for the purpose of developing a long term watershed management plan.

The NHDES has recommended comprehensive and monthly multi-source testing of the pond and tributaries over an extended period. This adds

significant additional expense that was not anticipated. Therefore, the MPPA requests up to \$2,000 from the Town of New London to help cover the DES recommended additional water testing expenses associated with the additional water testing.

After discussion, the commission came up with suggestions that may reduce the cost. The MPPA can use the town's flow meter and the MPPA should consider using the Colby Sawyer laboratory. It was decided to revisit this issue next month after MPPA gets more information on the costs of the project.

4. Park and Ride

The state wants to expand the Park and Ride at Exit 12 off of I89. We are pleased that the town is now included in the planning of this project.

5. Budget Committee

Les reported the funding was approved for the Schultz property survey and annexation.

6. Dan Allen's submitted the report on trails.

- a. Dale Conley will be working on the trails at the Phillips Preserve.
- b. Bob Brown will take over trails behind the Old Middle School.
- c. Dan and Mark Vernon replaced part of the foot bridge on the Webb Forest Interpretive Trail.
- d. Richard Lee will haul out the old car located next to the Messer Pond Trail.

7. The town will have new and improved aerial photos of the town in the near future.

These new photos will help us identify vernal pools. A project we hope to have for the 2008 Master Plan.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45.

Submitted by Vicki Koron, Conservation Commission Member
