

BRENTWOOD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting of April 11, 2012

Members in attendance: Doug Cowie, Heather Gilbert, Emily Schmalzer, Jodi Kaufman, Heather Dudley-Tatman and Rob Wofchuck, chair

Alternates in attendance: Victor Schmalzer and Reid Bunker

Selectmen's representative: Jane Byrne

Meeting convened at 7:05PM.

- 1) Cowie made motion and E Schmalzer seconded to give Bunker voting rights. The motion passed.
- 2) Cowie made motion and E Schmalzer seconded to have Wofchuck remain chairman of the commission. The motion passed.
- 3) The March 14, 2012, minutes were moved by Cowie and seconded by Gilbert. The minutes were approved.
- 4) Wofchuck presented a bill for the publication of a legal notice in the amount of \$35.25. Bunker moved to pay bill and Cowie seconded. The motion passed.
- 5) Wofchuck stated that the Trails Committee has asked to mow the trail through Stevens Field and around the edge. Kaufman provided input on the nature of the fields and trail. Bunker moved that the commission recommend to the selectmen to approve the mowing of the trail subject to talking to Mr. Woodman, who hays the field. E Schmalzer seconded and the motion carried.
- 6) 7:15 Wofchuck opens the Public Hearing

The public hearing was scheduled to authorize the expenditure of up to \$17,500 from the conservation fund for the costs associated with the donation of a new ~42 acre easement has been offered for donation. The Public Hearing remained open until 8:00PM to allow time for the public to arrive and comment. No one appeared to provide comments. Cowie made motion that the commission spend up to \$17,500 from the conservation fund for the costs associated with the donation of a new ~42 acre easement has been offered for donation. The motion was seconded by E Schmalzer and the motion passed.

Cowie moved and Gilbert seconded to close the public hearing. The motion passed at 8:00PM.

- 7) Wofchuck and Len Lord from the RCCD provided an update on the Stormwater Project.
 - i) The ZBA and Planning Board approved lot line adjustment.
 - ii) Title and easement paper work are underway.
 - iii) The Survey Plans are being finalized.
 - iv) The wetland permit went out last week.
 - v) Next step is to begin getting ready, the plan is to finish this summer.
- 8) Len Lord was also present to discuss options for a second Phase of the Stormwater Project if the commission is interested. Mr. Lord reviewed the list of site identified in the Geomorphic Study. He also listed to suggested sites by the commission. The primary funding would likely come from a 319 Grant. Mr. Lord stated that the cost to for the pre proposal work would be approximately \$3,000 and that the

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grant writing would be between \$3,000 and 5,000. The commission discussed and agrees that seeing some of the proposed sites would be useful.

9) The commission will sponsor a roadside cleanup event to coincide with the celebration of Earth Day. The date of Saturday, April 21st has been selected. The commission discussed locations and arrangements.

10) Wofchuck provided an update on Easement mentoring.

- i) The monitoring needs to be completed for 2011 and submitted to DES and SELT.
- ii) The 2012 can be completed any time.

11) Wofchuck received a letter that the SELT is applying for accreditation from the National Land Trust Council. Cowie moved that Wofchuck prepare a letter of support for the commission. E Schmalzer seconded the motion and the motion carried.

12) At 8:50PM Wofchuck made a motion to go into nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II(d) to discuss acquisitions of real property. The motion was seconded by Cowie and carried. At 9:00PM Wofchuck made a motion to come out of nonpublic session and seal the minutes. The motion was seconded by Bunker and carried.

At 9:01PM, Cowie moved to adjourn, E Schmalzer seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Heather Dudley-Tatman