

BRENTWOOD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting of September 29, 2010

Members In attendance: Doug Cowie, Heather Dudley-Tatman, and Rob Wofchuck, chair
Alternates in attendance: Victor Schmalzer and Reid Bunker

Meeting convened at 7:03PM.

1. Dudley-Tatman moved to give V. Schmalzer and Bunker voting rights. Cowie seconded and the motion passed.
2. Dudley-Tatman moved the August minutes. Cowie seconded the motion. The August minutes were approved.
3. Grant Update:
The Rockingham County Conservation District (RCCD) has been preparing a combination of grant applications to for one project.
 1. DES 319a Grant - pre-application has been submitted and approved for application
 2. NH Aquatic Resource Mitigation (ARM) Program Grant – due 9/30/10
 3. Trout Unlimited – available as matching (\$1,750 plus \$500 volunteer work) for other grants
 4. PREP Grant – should be available to reimburse appraisal costs
 5. Mooseplate Grant – would be a backup to the ARM Grant. Wofchuck recommends having this grant application prepared.
4. Dudley-Tatman moves to have the commission pay up to \$1,000 from the conservation fund to hire the RCCD to prepare the Mooseplate Grant application. Schmalzer seconds and the motion passes.
5. Wofchuck will schedule Public Hearing for November Meeting
 1. Wilson Appraisal Costs
 2. 319a Grant – Hire Rockingham County Conservation District
 3. Mooseplate Grant – Hire Rockingham County Conservation District
6. Schmalzer updated the commission on a new potential property for an easement. Schmalzer, along with Howard, Phil and Brian are trying to work with the property owner.
7. Wofchuck reviewed the 2011 budget request and the Capital Improvement Plan request. The budget is essentially the same as 2010. Bunker suggested that some of the budget be spent to have some of the more complicated easement monitoring be completed by someone like the Southeast Land Trust of New Hampshire (SELTNH). It was suggested that the commission evaluate the need for a second bond in the future.
8. Based on the proposed budget request, Bunker moved to renew contact with the SELTNH for up to \$2,500. The SELTNH provides WRP grant work and potentially easement monitoring.
9. Wofchuck ask commission if a Warrant Article to Extend the Open Space Bond Authority should be prepared. Cowie moved that a warrant article be prepared to extend the Open Space Bond Authority for 2 years. Bunker seconded the motion and the motion carried.
10. Open Space Update - Wofchuck reported that Dave Viale from the Southeast Land Trust of New Hampshire (SELTNH) stated that there are no new projects moving forward with the WRP funding at this time. Several WRP applications are being reevaluated. Wofchuck reported that he received two completed easements.

At 8:40 PM, Dudley-Tatman moved to adjourn, Cowie seconded and the motion ca