

BRENTWOOD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting of November 9, 2011

Members In attendance: Doug Cowie, Ray Jones, Jody Kaufman, Heather Dudley-Tatman and Rob Wofchuck, chair

Alternates in attendance: Victor Schmalzer and Reid Bunker

Meeting convened at 7:05PM.

- 1) Motion to give Bunker voting rights by Wofchuck and seconded by Cowie. All were in favor.
- 2) The October 21, 2011, minutes were moved by Cowie and seconded by Kaufman. The motion passed with all in favor.
- 3) Wofchuck provided an update on the Stormwater Project.
 - i) The easement language is almost complete.
 - ii) The survey for the easement almost complete.
 - iii) Stormwater permits to be completed and filed shortly.
- 4) Wofchuck provided an update on Open Space. The easement on the Lyford property is moving forward. The survey has been completed. There is a tight schedule to file the easement with the NRCS and meet the Farmland Grant requirements.
- 5) Wofchuck stated that the budget was approved as submitted for \$8,097, by both the budget committee and the Selectmen.
- 6) Wofchuck stated that he presented the University of New Hampshire (UNH) Water Quality Analysis Laboratory (WQAL) quote to evaluate the water quality of the Exeter River and associated tributaries as it enters and leaves the Town to the Planning Board. The parameters selected are in keeping with the parameters the NH DES is using to evaluate nitrogen loading in Great Bay. The Planning Board agreed in concept that the sampling would be prudent. Following discussion, Cowie moved that the Commission support and recommend to the Selectmen the monitoring of nitrogen and suspended sediments within the Exeter River and associated tributaries in the Town for a year to collect data which will be used to evaluate Brentwood's impacts to the river and therefore to Great Bay. Kaufman seconded the motion and the motion passed.
- 7) Wofchuck provided an update on Easement mentoring.
 - i) The SELT to do the monitoring for the Commercial Drive easement this month.
 - ii) The monitoring needs to continue for 2011.
- 8) Wofchuck presented a summary of the October 20, 2011, Planning Board meeting presentation and discussion on the fluvial erosion hazards by the Glenn Greenwood of the Rockingham Planning Commission. The Town has existing FEMA and shoreland protection regulations. The Planning Board was interested in seeing a map of the existing regulations and what the fluvial erosion hazard zones would be to see if there are areas in the town that may not be adequately protected. Glenn Greenwood of the Rockingham Planning Board agreed to provide the map and data.

At 8:12 PM, Bunker moved to adjourn, Cowie seconded and the motion carried.
Respectfully submitted by Heather Dudley-Tatman