

**Alton Conservation Commission Approved by the Conservation Commission 7-27-06
Minutes of July 13, 2006**

Members Present: Co-Chair, Justine Gengras; Co-Chair, Earl Bagley; David Lawrence, Roger Burgess, and Gene Young

Members Absent: Tom Hoopes, and Alan Sherwood as Selectmen's Representative

Others Present:

Call Meeting to Order:

Co-Chairman E. Bagley called the meeting to order at 7:07p.m.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion made by J. Gengras and seconded by D. Lawrence to include under Permit by Notification – Audrey Sharpe Map 57 Lot 17, and to include under Commission Reports – Gilman Pond Trail. The motion passed with all in favor.

Public Input:

None at this time

Approval of Minutes:

Approval of minutes from June 22, 2006 meeting.

J, Gengras moved to accept the minutes as amended, second by D.Lawrence. The motion passed with all in favor.

Presentations/Consultations:

None at this time

Planning board Agenda Item:

None at this time

Standard Dredge and Fill Applications:

None at this time

Notification of Routine Roadway and Railway Maintenance Activities

None at this time

Permit By Notification

1. Robert Bahre Map 21 Lot 5-5 – Repair the existing breakwater in kind, in place. The area of the breakwater that requires maintenance and repair is 10' long x 6' wide. The damage was caused by the intense storms of May 2006. Commission signed on 7-10-06, FYI
2. Donald & Nancy Crosby Map 42 Lot 26 – Re-build existing rock support for

3'8"x14' and 6'x16'2" decks. Impact lower deck 51.33 sq. ft. upper deck, 97 sq. ft. Commission signed on 7-6-06, FYI

3. Audrey Sharpe Map 57 Lot 17 – Installation of a personal watercraft lift, adjacent to existing dock 80' from abutting lot line.

Discussion:

The Commission discussed the project and found that it appeared to meet NH Wetlands Bureau rules.

Motion made by R. Burgess and seconded by E. Bagley to direct chair to sign application. Motion passed with all in favor.

Minimum Impact Expedited

1. Norman MacInnis Map 11 Lot 9-5 – The proposed wetland impact of 1408 sq. ft. is associated with a driveway crossing and culvert invert protection for access to a single family house building site. Continued from 6-22-06 meeting.

Discussion:

The Commission discussed the project and found that it appeared to meet NH Wetlands Bureau rules. A site inspection was conducted and the Commissioners noticed that there has been a lot of bulldozed surface between Alton Mountain Road and the wetlands. They also observed timber slash in a wetland abutting the bulldozed area. The location proposed for the wetlands crossing appeared to be the least environmentally impacting crossing the access the proposed house location.

Motion by J. Gengras to direct a Co-Chair to sign application, seconded by E. Bagley. The motion passed with all in favor.

2. Ed Brown Map 46 Lot 10 – Repair a permitted breakwater in kind due to storm drainage.

Discussion:

The Commission discussed the project and found that it appeared to meet NH Wetlands Bureau rules.

Motion made by R. Burgess to direct Co-Chair to sign application, seconded by J. Gengras. The motion passed with all in favor.

Commissioner Reports:

1. David Lawrence – Gilman Pond – D. Lawrence flagged a trail to run from the parking lot to connect to the other trail. The proposed trail has steep slope and rough terrain in an area. D. Lawrence isn't sure if T. Hoopes has comments about the trail or not. D. Lawrence asked if the steep slope and terrain is a town liability issue. The secretary will ask Attorney Sessler about the liability issue.

Other Business:

1. Shawn & Laurie Olivier Map76 Lot 60 – Planting & Erosion Control Plan - FYI
No action taken by the Commission
2. Dave Tuttle – Re-mowing Seavey Property – Spoke with Tom Hoopes. Last year, the Commission agreed to mow the Gilman Pond Conservation property every other

year, based on input from Mr. Seavey. The Commission received a message from the Town Administrator that the property was mowed and that Mr. Tuttle spoke with Tom Hoopes. D. Lawrence called Mr. Seavey who said the property has not been mowed yet. Mr. Seavey said, a while back a verbal agreement was made that the conservation property would be mowed every year, but it was never put in writing. J. Gengras said that the property was mowed last year and that there is no money in the budget for mowing the property this year.

Motion made by J. Gengras to defer action until the next meeting when T. Hoopes could be present to provide input, seconded by D. Lawrence. Motion passed with all in favor

Correspondence:

1. DES Fact Sheet on Pond Construction - FYI
No action taken by the Commission
2. GSR Trust Timber Ridge Road Map 58 Lot 5-19 – Letter of Deficiency - FYI
No action taken by the Commission
3. Gary Bahre Map 21 Lot 5-3 – Permit Approval
No action taken by the Commission

Adjournment:

Motion made by R. Burgess and seconded by J. Gengras to adjourn at 8:31pm. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Fortin
Secretary to the Conservation Commission