



**Fremont Conservation Commission
Minutes of
March 3, 2014**

Present: Chairman Bill Knee, Co- Chairman Janice O'Brien, Member Pat deBeer, and
Alt/Recording Secretary Meredith Bolduc.

Chrm. Knee opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

On March 15, 2010 Chrm. Karcz designated Alternate Leanne Miner to fill the vacancy on the
Conservation Commission until such time as the Selectmen have appointed someone to fill that
vacancy (allowed by NH RSA 673:12, III). That appointment remains in effect.

MINUTES

Mbr. O'Brien made the motion to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2014 meeting as written.
Mbr. deBeer seconded the motion with unanimous favorable vote.

BARRY CONSERVATION CAMP

The Commission discussed the application and information to sponsor a child for the Barry
Conservation 4-H Camp (which is operated by the UNH Cooperative Extension 4-H Program in
cooperation with the NH Fish and Game Department). Mbr. deBeer said she looked on the website
and found that the applications were opened in February. She understood that they were looking for
a donation so they could choose the recipient. She suggested finding out if the Commission could
choose someone from Fremont. Mbr. O'Brien suggested that the Commission could offer a
donation. It was understood and discussed that funding could come from the Ariela Mahoney Fund.
Chrm. Knee said he would not be against using some of the Mahoney money for this purpose, but
he would like to spend the Mahoney money on something that would memorialize Ms. Mahoney as
the donor. It was decided to table the Barry Conservation Camp sponsorship for now.

TOWN FOREST

Mrs. Bolduc reported that there has been a separate account called the Fremont Town Forest
Management Fund opened with \$12,106.15 realized from the timber harvest of Glen Oakes. This
account is for the purpose of maintenance of the Fremont Town Forests as per NH RSA 31:110-113.

Mrs. Bolduc contacted Mr. Moreno relative to an estimate and possible timeline to amend the Wildlife and Forest Management plan to include the Smith property and the recent Glen Oakes timber harvest and is waiting for his response.

Following some discussion it was agreed that Mrs. Bolduc will let Mr. Moreno know that the Commission is looking to have him do the Oak Ridge Wildlife and Forest Management Plan also.

Gate

Chrm. Knee said he has not spoken with the Fire and Police Departments to see what kind of lock they would prefer on a gated access to Glen Oakes or if they had any other suggestions. He said he will do that before the next meeting.

CONSERVATION EASEMENT MONITORING

Google spreadsheets of the Town held Conservation Easements -----

The easements include:

3615/702	Conservation Easement Cornerstone Estates/Dakota Realty Trust
	1-35-8, 1-35-9 and p/o 1-35
	D-28735
3972/1691	Conservation Easement Tuck Woods
	6-64-21, 6-64-22 and 6-64-23
	D-30397
4247/1418	Conservation Easement Tuck Woods
	OS, OS2, OS3
	D-31333
4342/1206	Conservation Restriction Deed Not to Further Subdivide Spruce Hill
	Map 6 Lot 50
	D-31622
4408/1234	Conservation Restriction Deed Seacoast United Soccer Club
	p/o 20-1
	D-31731
4435/1986	Conservation Easement Fremont Pizzeria
	p/o Tax Map 3 Lot 120
	D-31624
4890/1139	Conservation Easement Scribner Estates
	Easement 13
	D-31121

CORRESPONDENCE

Received:

- A February 3, 2014 “Complete Forestry Notification” from NH DES to Lewis Builders Development, Inc. acknowledging receipt of their Wetlands Minimum Impact Forestry Notification form for work in Fremont, Map 3 Lot 169-A.
- A February, 2014 letter from the Lamprey Rivers Advisory Committee relative to their small grants program. The program is for a municipality to create a one-time demonstration project that addresses a water or river-related problem and that educates people of the Town as to why the problem exists, why it matters and what can be done to fix it. Each grant is for up to \$5,000 and can be used as a one-time match of town contributions. It was agreed that Fremont has no issues as identified on the grant application therefore no action was taken.

- Notice of the April 5, 2014 Saving Special Places conference in Laconia, NH.

LAMPREY RIVER MANAGEMENT PLAN

Mbr. deBeer reported that the Lamprey River Management Plan is finished and she has given a copy to the Town. She explained some about what is in the plan.

WORKING PLAN

The following is a working plan with some results in *italics*.

- Set up a monitoring scheduled for the Town owned Conservation Easements.
(As the holder of an easement, the Town is obligated to monitor each easement once per year.)
Compile a list of land with conservation easements. *This is done.*
 - Get copies of each easement.
 - Generate a checklist for each easement.
- Prospective Oak Ridge Easement: *This is done.*
- Review the obligations for grants already awarded including.
 1. Land & Water Conservation Fund (set up for the acquisition of Oak Ridge)
 2. Moose Plate, Recreational Trails Program, PREP Transaction Grant
 3. Smith property: Davis, Fields Pond, Cricket and Wharton, Moose Plate and LCHIP, PREP.
- Glen Oakes Forest & Wildlife Management Plan - Review for updates.
- Oak Ridge Management Plan - Review for updates.
Mbr. de Beer said this is in the NRI of the Master Plan.
- Natural Resource Inventory – Review for recommendations for updates of information and maps.
- Earth Day event (s) for the current year.
- Biothon – discuss a possible event for the current year.
- Reorganization of the Conservation Commission.
- Budget for the following year.
- Compiled of all of the grants that have been awarded to the Town and create a checklist of the requirements of each grant that can be reviewed annually. Any future grant can be added to the compilation.

EVENTS

Previous event suggestions included:

- Birds & bats
- Edible plants
- Wildlife cover
- Sustainable agriculture
- A butterfly garden
- School program that would involve growing plants.

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- A presentation on sustainable agriculture.
- Community garden

At 8:10 pm Mbr. O'Brien made the motion to adjourn.
Motion seconded by Chrm. Knee with unanimous favorable vote.

Next scheduled meeting: April 7, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith Bolduc, Land Use AA/Recording Secretary

CC action item timeline.

January – Review obligations for grants already awarded.

February – Review Forest Management & Wildlife Plans: Oak Ridge & Glen Oakes.

March – Commission reorganization; events to be sponsored through the next year.

April –

May –

June-

July –

August – Budget review and approval for upcoming year

September – October: monitoring Town owned Conservation easements & reporting on same.

November – Review the NRI

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