

**Conservation Land Review Committee
December 9, 2009**

Attended: Andy Davis (new Recreation representative), Gary Langenbach, Barry Mathias, Sue Chamberlain and Mark Guidoboni (at 7:35 p.m.)

7:15 p.m. Gary Langenbach called the meeting to order.

Minutes of the October 28 meeting were approved with the following changes: Barry Mathias was not present and the "NRCA" was changed to the "NRCS."

DISCUSSION:

New Member

For new member Andy Davis, some of the history of Camp Nekon and the Conservation Land Review Committee's work was summarized.

Background

History of some of the properties surrounding Camp Nekon were mentioned including land for sale, the Ardellia Pratt land which has several heirs that have not been found, Pratt's Pond, Great Mink Hole etc.

Gary explained that the 40R planned near the train station would like to include Smelt Pond and trails for recreation.

Report on last month's actions

Sue reported that she had the soils maps and legend from NRCS Rob Turnstead.

Sue got a price quote from Maureen for signs prohibiting unauthorized vehicles in Camp Nekon for all access points. The committee would like reference to both the town bylaw and the state general law (re: penalties) to be included on the sign if possible. Mark added that the following should also be on the signs: "AREA SUBJECT TO VISUAL AND AUDIO SURVEILLANCE."

Gary followed up with a request to the trustees of the Sampson Fund for permission to re-designate their grant awarded earlier this year for signage instead of the forest management study. Gary requested 20 signs and 12 posts for a total of \$1,546.88.

Actions for the next meeting:

Gary: get the Core Habitat and Estimated Habitat maps corrected by Wildlands Trust

Barry: By next meeting we should have the report from Austin Mason.

Pine: Report on the bounds by Sgarzi soon.

Gary: Mark requested that under the “Recreation Use” category of the Camp Nekon Plan, the following be added: Maintain cabin and associated camping sites for individuals and groups. As the plan is designed, there needs to be definite places for conservation restrictions and recreation. **Gary** to add wording under Recreation Use.

Next meeting is set for January 20, 2010 at 7 a.m...

Meeting adjourned at 8:35

Submitted by:

Sue Chamberlain