

Conservation Land Review Committee

September 23, 2009

Attended: Dick Arruda, Gary Langenbach, Pine duBois, Barry Mathias,

7:11PM meeting called to order

Gary passed around announcement of forestry demonstration scheduled in Easton on Sept. 26th

Stewardship Grants awarded:

Camp Nekon \$2974

Sampson Park & Faunce Memorial Forest \$2188

Austin does work and submits plan bill directly to DCR

WE do goals for properties using Stewardship Planning worksheet from DCR

GOALS for properties:

Want to improve and protect/enhance natural resource areas

Make it more accessible and maintained for passive recreation

Manage woodlands for habitat improvements

Eliminate recreational vehicle access

It was recommended that **Gary** ask to have the ConsCom agenda put on-line.

Pine needs to give us the date for Sampson Park acquisition from Open Space plan.

UNAUTHORIZED VEHICLES. SIGNS & SURVEILLANCE

Barry checked about signs – all signs are purchased – the Town doesn't make any and doesn't have the equipment.

The language for the signs should reference the Mass. General Laws Chapter and the local by-law. List the fine under the by-law and make it simple. Buy a dozen. Check with DCR to see who does their signs.

Pine has to email Andy Backman at DCR about the Bernstein property transfer and she will ask about sign vendors.

Pine also talked with someone who has a listening device that can pick up the sounds of motor cycles that triggers an alarm. This might be a less expensive way to provide surveillance – she will investigate further.

DISCUSSION:

There was conversation about making Camp Nekon one lot.

Also, when abutters are being notified of any activity that involves town land or abuts town land, that notification to abutters should include other town departments.

Sgarzi is working on the bounds and will contact **Pine** when he is done putting in the site line between Landers and Camp Nekon. Austin Mason will do some of the bounds if possible. We also will see if Sgarzi can help us after we assess the current work he is doing.

ACTIONS

Dick was asked to mention to Selectmen that the make up of the Conservation Land Review Committee be changed since no one from FinCom comes to the meetings.

Gary will write to the trustees of the Sampson Fund to see if we can redirect some of the funds toward the purchase of signs.

Dick reported that the Fire Chief and Town Secretary are looking into finding the lease for the fire tower. DCR has been contacted and they are going to find it and he will report to the Committee when he has the information.

Mark Guidoboni arrived at 8:05 p.m.

The Calista property on Elder Avenue was discussed as a possible site for Community Preservation Funds. Need to talk to Rob Krause and see what the price is.

The **Committee** will continue to work on getting the necessary documents to complete the Camp Nekon Plan: ecological information, legal information and conservation objectives.

Gary will talk to Jim Turrane for geological, soil and hydrology info. Also Core Habitat and species inventory.

Sue will ask Evan Dalton if he can do a bird survey

Pine is working on getting maps – zoning map can be shrunk and attached.

Dick is working on getting lease from DCR.

Mark will continue to collect deeds as needed

Committee will look into potential CR restrictions for sensitive areas and placing these under the jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30

Next meeting is set for October 28 at 7 p.m.

Submitted by:

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