

Lebanon Conservation Commission
Regular Meeting, 6/6/11
Minutes

Call to order, 4:36 p.m.

Members present: , Keith Laporte, Marc Lang, Jan Fitter, Howard Wayland , Jon Slate, Toni Willard

Members absent: Emery Gluck, David Scata, Alton Blodgett

Also present: Town Planner Phil Chester, Dennis Latcham of IWC

Jon and Toni designated as acting alternates

Motion to approve minutes of 4/4/11 regular meeting; seconded and passed unanimously.

Dennis Latcham attended a meeting with Juliana Barrett and the grad student who will participate in reclamation of the Town garage pond. Mary Withey also attended. A grant was received, and a plan is being developed. The grad student will attend the July Conscom meeting to make a presentation. At the appropriate time, Phil and Dennis will assess issues on abutting properties.

Town Planner's report:

Phil reported that the new FEMA flood maps have been finalized and are not drastically different from the old ones for Lebanon. Opening Farmers' Market was busy and successful.

Phil updated us on progress for properties applying for preservation.

Property 11-A was rated at a score of 16.

We reviewed the latest list of properties facing tax foreclosure with Phil. We didn't see anything worth pursuing, based on current available information.

Regarding the special exception permit application for a garage on Camp Moween Road, the following motion was made (JF) and seconded (HW):

The Conservation Commission recommends that the Planning and Zoning Commission deny a permit for special exception for an accessory building at 137 Camp Moween Road because erection of the building will degrade an area within the conservation easement, including soil disturbance, destruction of plant life, and removal of trees. Formerly and recently, whoever has owned the property, past and/or present, has completely degraded an area within the conservation easement in the vicinity of the proposed garage, and part of this degraded area is

within the wetlands buffer (prior to seeking a permit from the IWC). The area has been filled and graded with heavy equipment, leaving no vegetation, and trees have been removed. Old equipment (junk) is piled in another part of the conservation easement. Our commission feels a mitigation plan is in order and recommends that the Town Planner send a letter to the owner to that effect.

The motion passed on a vote of 5 to 0 with one abstention (KL).

Old/new business: A letter was sent to an owner of forest property 11-1; there has been no response.

Motion to adjourn at 5:43 p.m., seconded and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Fitter, Sec'y