

# MADISON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

## Minutes

November 3, 2011

Regular Meeting

Members Present: Ralph Lutjen, Marcia McKenna, Marc Ohlson, David Riss – Chair, and Josh Shackford

Members Not Present:

Others Present:

Meeting Agenda Posted: 10/26/11 at Madison Town Hall, Madison Post Office, and Silver Lake Post Office

**CALL TO ORDER:** Dr. Riss called the meeting to order at 7:10 P.M.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes of October 6, 2011 were approved as presented.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** none

### **OLD BUSINESS & CONTINUING PROJECTS:**

Goodwin & Burke Forests – TNC contract for 2012/2014/2016 burn with Jeff Lougee: Dr. Riss provided a brief explanation of the contract. Ms. Huff will email Jeff Lougee for a progress report.

Goodwin & Burke Forests – trail access and parking area: Work will take place in the spring. The Selectmen have hired Paul King to verify the width of Lead Mine Road.

Malcolm P. McNair Easement – trail connector: A work session was scheduled for Sunday, November 6, at 11:00 A.M. to mark out the trail over the wet areas and take pictures for submission to DES.

Conservation Property Status: The Board reviewed the property list. The Selectmen will be discussing the properties to determine how to proceed to provide proper management of some town owned lots. The Commission has authority to manage properties given or purchased via RSA 36-A; management of other properties may be authorized by town meeting. The easement report form was reviewed and a monitoring schedule will be established in January.

Wold Maintenance – wildlife clearings and trail clean-up: No action at this time; this item will remain on the agenda as a reminder to schedule the work.

Old Home Week Events: Ms. Huff contacted Squam Lakes Science Center. They have a choice of four programs each of which features three animals. The cost is \$250. The Commission would like further information about the choices, agreeing that the cost was acceptable.

Other Items: Torin La Liberte's Eagle Scout project was approved by the Board of Selectmen. The Snow mobile club has built a new bridge on the Sherman property; a letter will be sent acknowledging the nice work. The Selectmen requested Mr. Babine to call DES regarding the recent application of pesticides on the banks of the brook at the corner of Routes 113 and 41.

**TOWN CONSERVATION REPORT:** Dr. Riss provided a brief overview of the history of the Mudd property, known as the Cedar Swamps. This property will be reviewed in the spring using the monitoring report form.

**NEW BUSINESS:** none

**SELECTMAN'S REPORT:** none

**PLANNING BOARD REPORT:** A two lot subdivision was approved. A three lot subdivision was continued pending review by planning board counsel relative to approving a right-of-way shown on a plat. Two zoning amendments were reviewed as was master plan language for protection of steep slopes.

**BOULDER COMMISSION REPORT:** Bill Carpenter – Division of Forests and Lands attended the meeting and commended the Selectmen and the Commission for their assistance with work relative to the Boulder and to coordinating the deed agreement which will transfer the road to the Boulder to the State, pending town meeting approval. The Commission will have a site meeting to discuss road repairs.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Ms. Huff reported that lengthy correspondence from Bob King has been received relative to properties that Mr. King alleges should be managed by the Commission. The paperwork will be provided to Commission members for the next meeting.

Ms. Huff reported that Courtney Croteau has been selected by the chairs of the Planning and Zoning Boards and the Conservation Commission for Ms. Huff's position. She will be recommended to the Selectmen for hiring. Training will start in November.

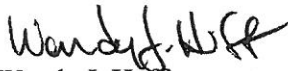
Mr. Shackford suggested work sessions to clean some logging landing areas on the McNair easements. After brief discussion of jurisdiction on private property, it was agreed to put this item on the December agenda for further discussion.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, Mr. Lutjen moved, seconded by Mr. Shackford, to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 P.M. Motion passed.

The next Regular Meeting is December 1, 2011 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Wendy J. Huff

Administrative Assistant

Minutes Approved: December 1, 2011

Corrections: none