

HINESBURG CONSERVATION COMMISSION

*Rob Farley, Dave Hirth, Melissa Levy,
Bill Marks, Nancy Plunkett, Gerry Livingston (Chair)*

MINUTES of August 13, 2007

Opening

The regular meeting of the Conservation Commission was called to order at 7:05 PM on August 13, 2007 in the Town Hall by Bill Marks.

Present: *Melissa Levy, Bill Marks, Nancy Plunkett*

Absent: *Dave Hirth, Rob Farley, Gerry Livingston*

Greenspace and Cultural Resources Plan

- There was discussion of the direction the Forest Resources section should take. Gerry had given Nancy some ideas. Nancy will take those ideas and rework it.
- Bill gave us an update on the article prepared for the Record by he and Gerry. This should appear in the next issue.
- There was a discussion of the Water Resources section. Melissa has not worked much on this, but it sounds like Gerry might have. We need to get clearer on where this is at.
- There was concern about the direction our consultants are taking. We still haven't seen a workplan, any outline of the plan, or a plan for the public outreach meeting.
- If anyone has any ideas of nicely designed websites, let Gerry or Melissa know.
- We're supposed to be reviewing the Charlotte Town Plan.

New Members

Bill had talked to a couple of people about joining our commission. We'll see if they come by to check out a meeting.

Amendment

Bill gave us an update of where this stands. We've all seen the email correspondence back and forth between Bill and Alex and Peter. Input was given.

Gepzugs Park

- Melissa wasn't sure of the status of the wind tower. (NOTE: On the way home from this meeting, Melissa noticed that the tower and turbine are up and running.)
- Some folks have asked for the sledding hill to be cleared better. Perhaps Ernie Murray or Bill Piper could help with this. Also, whoever is using the sledding hill and asking for it could also be helping to maintain it.
- The park needs to be brushhogged. Nancy said that she would talk to Ernie about getting that done.

Development Proposals

Bedard has a new proposal before the DRB. The meeting was on 8/14. It was hoped that Rob would go since this is his neighborhood and he's been up on the other Bedard proposal.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 PM by Nancy Plunkett. The next general meeting will be at 7:00 PM on August 26 at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted by: Melissa Levy