

# **HINESBURG CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

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

## **MINUTES of March 24, 2008**

### **Opening**

The regular meeting of the Conservation Commission was called to order at 7:10 pm on March 24, 2008 in the Town Hall by Gerry Livingston.

**Present:** *Rob Farley, Dave Hirth, Charles Kogge, Nancy Plunkett, Matthew Probasco, Gerry Livingston*

**Absent:** Melissa Levy (on maternity leave), Bill Marks (on temporary leave)

**Visitor:** *Kristin Sharpless*

### **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of previous meetings were approved. Nancy agreed to coordinate the handling, review, and posting of the meeting minutes on a temporary basis. Melissa will remain the liaison for actually posting the minutes to the Internet.

### **Hinesburg Record Writing Assignments**

A tentative list of article topics was created to help in planning.

### **Gepregs Park Management Plan**

Adding an educational component to the management plan that Melissa is working on was discussed. Rob recommended that we also include in the plan discussion of the wellhead in the Park as a potential water supply source for the town and to consider the impact on the park should the Town proceed to use the well.

### **Bissonette Farm/Town Forest Projects**

Pending her appointment, Kristen will represent the HCC on the Bissonette Farm Project management plan committee. Matthew is also scheduled to serve on that committee as well but may, instead, choose to serve on a concurrent Town Forest plan committee. Kristen suggested that these plans and the Gepregs plan would benefit if they were coordinated. It was agreed that Kristen would put forth this suggestion at the next Bissonette plan meeting.

### **Web Site Development**

There was discussion on how to proceed with upgrading the HCC's web page. Should the Commission hire a contractor to redo it or should we do it in-house? Charlie agreed to take the lead on this task, investigate our current options, and set up a draft site. He also agreed to serve on the Town web site committee that is just now forming. Dave will continue to work on this task to provide ideas and assist in quality control. Gerry, Dave, and Charlie will meet to discuss the organization of the site before the next HCC meeting.

### **Greenspace and Cultural Resources Plan**

The process for reviewing and finishing the Plan was discussed at length. It was agreed that everyone would review the LandWorks draft by the next meeting and develop a list of items that are missing (e.g., sample ordinances used successfully in other communities, references) as well as areas of potential

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conflict. These items will be requested from LandWorks. The next step will be to assign sections to 1-3 people to edit for review and approval by the rest of the Commission.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm. The next general meeting will be held at 7:00 pm on April 14, 2008 at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted by: Nancy Plunkett