

Conservation Commission Draft Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, October 13, 2009

Attendance: Conservation Commission members: Dick Bauman, John Planinsek, Mike Duddy, John Marchewka, Judith Dooley, Dena DeSena; Town Planner Maureen O'Meara. Guest: Seth Sprague and John Greene, Sprague Corporation

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm.
2. July 2009 draft minutes were reviewed and approved. September 2009 draft minutes were reviewed and approved with revision.
3. Sprague Easement Update
  - Reviewed and discussed draft easement related to access points along the Great Pond trail and boat launch area. Reviewed and discussed new revised easement, which if approved will replace the 1983 easement.
  - Dale Brewer, Surveyor, prepared description of Fenway access and Alewives Brook bridge connection. Fenway access is configured as a triangular area that includes the boat launch access. Forty (40) ft wide easement proposed along Alewives Brook bridge section of trail. Old easement (1983) and new proposed easement both prohibit motorized vehicles, except for government and trail maintenance purposes.
  - It was agreed that from the southwest portion of the Alewives Brook trail easement, the trail along Golden Lane is covered by the February 2004 easement – Sprague Corp. to Town.
  - CC and Town will work on language for new easement that allows the Town to perform routine maintenance along trail segments. The new language regarding trail maintenance will be drawn in an effort to meet the Town's needs while being acceptable to the Sprague Corp.
  - CC and representatives of Sprague Corp. discussed the boat storage area, boat rack size, and max number of boat storage permits that should be allowed. A tentative number of 30 boat storage permits was discussed.
4. Winnick Woods Parking Lot Expansion
  - Discussed expansion plans and signage.
  - CC agreed to not limit hours of trail usage, because some residents use the trail for night cross country skiing in the winter.
5. Misc. Trail Improvement Projects
  - CC agreed to send out RFP for muddy sections along Gull Crest. RFP will request upgrades using gravel, Geotech fabric, and culverts, if needed.
  - CC will install bike use restriction signs at points along Winnick Woods and Cross Hill trails.
  - John M. to re-map trail connections between Winnick Woods and Cross Hill trails.

- CC agreed to contact the U of Maine Engineering department regarding trail maintenance project from Fowler Road to outer loop of the Gull Crest trail. U of Maine sent out a request for engineering student projects.
- CC will meet at Winnick Woods at 8:00am November 1, to locate areas for 2010 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trail maintenance project. CC will arrange to have materials brought in and staged this fall in preparation for next year.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.