

Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 14, 2008

Attendance: Commission members: Dick Bauman, Carole Haas, John Planinsek, John Marchewka, Dena Desena; Town Planner Maureen O'Meara. Representing Cape Nordic Muzzy Barton and Steve Harding, Town Engineer.

1. Meeting was called to order at 7.07 pm
2. September minutes were approved without change.
3. Representatives of Cape Nordic presented to the Conservation Commission their plan for expansion of cross country ski trails at Gull Crest. The plan called Phase 2A, was a reduced version of their initial Phase 2 plan. Phase 2A would expand the current trail network by approximately 1.25km. Construction of new trails will be held to the same standards as the initial Phase 1 trail system. At the conclusion of the presentation, Conservation Commission voted unanimously to give their approval for Cape Nordic Phase 2A.
4. Trail Evaluation – Discussions revolved around the, “Cape Elizabeth Greenbelt Maintenance Projects Late Summer 2008” spreadsheet created by Mike Duddy. The spreadsheet summarizes projects needed to be completed on the Green Trail system as a whole. Following discussions these actions were decided upon:

Maureen O'Meara would talk to the Cape Public Works Department concerning any help that they could provide with; mowing of fields, hedge trimming and weed whacking of trails.

Commission members would work on establishing mapping and signage of all trails.

Maureen O'Meara would attempt to solicit bids from landscape firms concerning general trail maintenance work.
5. Dena Desena and Maureen O'Meara agreed to work together to design a new Cape Elizabeth Green Trail logo to be used in marking trails.
6. John Planinsek was authorized to spend up to \$1000 to rebuild bridges and footpaths along Stonegate trails near the intersection of Shore Road and Dryer Pond Road.
7. Commission members agreed to work on completing mapping of the Winnick Woods - Cross Hill trail system and the Stonegate – Loveitt Field trail system.

8. Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 13 November 2008 at 7:00pm
9. Meeting adjourned 9:10pm.