

Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 11, 2008

Attendance: Commission members: Dick Bauman, Catherine Haas, John Planinsek, John Marchewka, Dena Desena, Judith Dooley; Town Planner Maureen O'Meara.

1. Meeting was called to order at 7.04 pm
2. October minutes were approved without change.
3. Sullivan Easement – Discussions were held on a proposal by Dr. and Mrs. Sullivan to donate a conservation easement over their sheep field which is adjacent to the Two Lights Trail. The commission members unanimously agreed that they thought that it would be in the best interest of the town to move forward with this proposal but that they would like to see a draft copy of the easement to see the exact wording on any restrictions, or responsibilities that the easement would place on the town.
4. Trail Evaluation – Maureen O'Meara had contacted a local landscaping firm about the possibility of performing some general maintenance work on the trails.
5. Dick Bauman asked to receive an electronic copy of the trail evaluation spread sheet so that he could prioritize projects.

Commission members agreed that their top priority would be to continue working on signage for the trail system.
5. John Marchewka showed the commissions his work to date on developing a GPS map of the Winnick Woods/Cross Hill trail systems.
6. Discussions were held about the need to install a large Cape Elizabeth Greenbelt sign at Gull Crest near the community gardens. Dena Desena agreed to work with public works personnel in locating and installing the sign.
7. Maureen O'Meara presented the new greenbelt trail sign design that she was working on. It was agreed to place an order for the new signs.
8. Several possibilities for extending the parking lot at Winnick Woods were discussed along with the need to add more top soil around the potting shed.

9. A ribbon cutting ceremony for Great Pond was tentatively scheduled for Saturday, December 6th at 10:00am. Rain date would be the following Sunday at 1:00pm.
8. Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 9 December 2008 at 7:00pm.
9. Meeting adjourned 9:00pm.