Conservation Commission Minutes of the April 13, 2010 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 by Dick Bowman who chaired the meeting in place of Dena DeSena.

Attendance: Dick Bowman, Mike Duddy, John Planinsek, Marti Blair, Judy Dooley, Town Planner, Maureen O'Meara, and guest: Dale Brewer

1. Discussion concerning State sensitive environmental areas survey: We have asked Maureen to request survey work for end of Hannaford Cove and Pond Cove wetland complex.

2. Trail Improvements:

1. Whale back trail needs more work

2. Boat storage – Town Council thanked the Commission for all of their work (Boat Racks, etc.) 27 permits were issued and a fund started with those funds for the upkeep.

3. Discussion followed concerning a picnic table. This is not included in the new easement from Sprague.

4. Gull Crest permit: no DEP permit yet.

5. Winnick Woods: bike group (NEMBA) discussion: gravel to be put on hold. Also, the tree over the entrance to the trail still has to be removed.

3. GPS Mapping:

Questions to Dale Brewer: points vs. lines. He does the mapping himself. He is familiar with the trails and can have the work done in $\frac{1}{2}$ weeks. GIS signage is important.

Motion made: Recommendation to Town to hire Dale Brewer to do GPS surveys because of his experience, price, proposal and familiarity of the trails. Motion seconded, passed 5-0.

4. To be done:

1. Open Space and Greenbelt Management Plan Meeting to be combined with monthly meeting to lay the groundwork for our more in-depth goals.

2. State recommends once every 3 years for \$30 work through the Conservation Easement Registry.

3. May 1st trail walk to move material.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Judith Dooley