Conservation Commission Minutes

August 9, 2011

Present: Dena DeSena, John Marchewka, John Planinsek, Zach Matzkin, Garvan Donegan, Town Planner Maureen O'Meara

Guest: Aaron Mosher

- 1. Meeting called to order at 5:35 p.m.
- 2. Citizen Comment. None.
- 3. The Commission walked the Leighton Farms trail from the intersection of Wells Road. Behind the house at 2 Leighton Farms Road it was discovered that the homeowner has mowed a large piece of land that is part of the town's property. We utilized a metal detector to attempt to locate the boundary pins. It appears from the maps that the property line runs very close to the deck and rear of the house. Since we could not locate all the pins, we may need to hire a surveyor to determine the correct boundaries.

Margaret Carver, the homeowner, joined us. She stated that the builder told her that the town land boundary is down at the bottom of the slope. Dena showed her the maps we are working from, and she expressed surprise that the town land comes so close to the back of their house.

We scoped out the possible location of the trail. It seems to make sense to continue the trail through the woods between the houses, where it used to be.

Ms. Carver indicated her willingness to work with the town to allow a large portion of the land to be returned to a wilder condition.

We located the corner pin on the south side of the property and the two pins along Leighton Farms Road. We measured up along Leighton Farms Road to the north property boundary to where it should be along the driveway and had a high reading on the magnetic reader, but did not dig up the pin. We painted all corners we located.

The remainder of the trail that we walked had been cleared by Brendan Sweeney and looks great.

Meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.