

## Warren Conservation Commission

### Meeting Minutes

4/15/08

#### **1.0 Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Margo Wade at 7:10pm. Members present: George Schenk, Damon Reed, Jim Edgcomb, Margo Wade, Susan Hemmeter, Caitrin Noel, Robin Bennett. Others present: Mac Rood

#### **2.0 Discussion of Aldeborgh/Roe Parcel**

Mac explained the history of the parcel, and the current considerations of the planning commission for the parcel. The planning commission is looking into the possibility of moving the town garage to the adjoining parcel currently owned by Sugarbush, and running the road to the town garage through the A/R parcel.

#### **3.0 Forest, Wildlife and Communities Initiative Update**

At the FWC public meeting held on April 7, all five of the watershed towns were represented. Jens Hilke and Jamie Fidel led the workshop, and attendees worked in small groups to list the things they value. Jens and Jamie will produce a map showing the information collected at the meeting and will provide copies to the Mad River valley communities.

Susan and Caitrin met with Jens Hilke from the VT Fish and Wildlife Dept. in March. Jens is available to help the CC examine and revise the language in the subdivision regulations related to primary and secondary conservation areas. Jens would like a formal invitation from the CC to work on this project. Susan will compose this and e-mail it to the rest of the CC.

#### **4.0 Eaton Trail Project Update**

The CC was awarded a grant in the amount of \$20,000 to build trails on the Eaton parcel. The money will fund the interpretive trail based on plan completed by Josh Ryan. Ryan's plan must be presented to the public. Margo will write up the components and next steps for the project and send to group. Jim suggested asking Yestermorrow if they would be interested in hosting a trail building class in conjunction with this project.

#### **5.0 Project Updates**

##### **5.1 Ancient Roads**

Report on public meeting held April 4<sup>th</sup>. There were 8 attendees. In summary, there was more sentiment against taking any further action. Barry suggested using funding to map class IV roads. CC would need more funding for the project, but the public doesn't seem interested in pursuing project.

**5.2 Dump Parcel**

The CC is on the agenda for the 4/22 selectboard meeting to discuss the Dump Parcel. Robin will attend.

**5.3 Natural Heritage Inventory**

Jim will follow up with a consultant from Shelburne who is incorporating their NHI into town regulations.

**5.4 Management Plans**

Process for implementing plans: the steering committee need to approve plans, then the conservation commission and selectboard need to approve them, then they will be sent to the planning commission for incorporation in to town plan.

**6.0 Executive Session**

No executive session.

**7.0 Other Business**

**7.1 Approve Meeting Minutes**

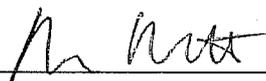
Motion to approve the February 19<sup>th</sup> and Mach 18<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes by George, seconded by Jim. Motion passed 7-0.

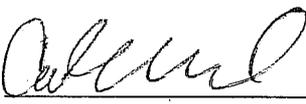
**8.0 Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned by Margo Wade at 10:05pm.

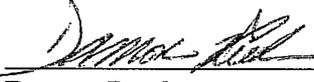
Respectfully submitted,  
*Caitrin Noel*

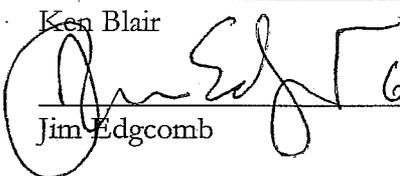
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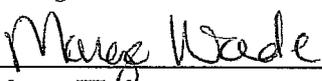
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