

**RAYMOND CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF AUGUST 4, 2004**

Jan Kent, Chair called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Office Building.
Other Members present: Cheryl Killam, Vice Chair, Jonathan Wood and Charles White.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MINUTES OF THE JULY 21, 2004 MEETING

MOTION: Mr. Wood made a motion to accept the Minutes of July 21, 2004 as drafted. Ms. Killam seconded. The vote was unanimously in the affirmative.

NEW BUSINESS

2005 CONSERVATION COMMISSION BUDGET – RECOMMENDATION

Ms. Kent stated that as of May 2004 the budget was at 46 percent.

Mr. Wood stated there is an overage in the budget for recording secretary. A part-time position was budgeted for, but the position has as yet been filled.

The Members recommended including Sharon Walls as Recording Secretary at her current level of responsibility.

MOTION: Ms. Kent made a motion to submit the same expenses for the year 2005 as for the year 2004. Mr. White seconded. The vote was unanimously in the affirmative.

CHARLES WHITE NOMINATION TO WATER MANAGEMENT PLANNING AREA ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mr. White stated this is the Lamprey River Instream Flow Protection Pilot Program. This will extend up the Lamprey River further than Fremont.

MOTION: Mr. Wood made a motion to nominate Charles White to the Water Management Planning Area Advisory Committee. Ms. Killam seconded. The vote was unanimously in the affirmative.

Mr. Wood stated that Frank Bishop and Jack Barnes were also recommended to be nominated, as well as Charles White, at the Board of Selectmen's meeting of August 2, 2004.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Regarding the proposed placement of a new water tower, Mr. Wood reminded the Cons Com Members of a joint public hearing of the Planning Board and Conservation Commission on August 5, 2004 in the Town Office at 7:30 p.m. Also, the Planning Board is conducting a site walk at 5:30 p.m., at which the Cons Com is welcome to attend.

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Regarding UNH student project, Ms. Kent stated she received a response from her e-mail to Dr. Paul Johnson, Department of Natural Resources, UNH. He stated that although the fall deadline is past there is still a possibility, and if not, the application can apply to the spring semester. He requested a one page summary of what want done, i.e., the envisioned goals. The Members decided on executing transect monitoring for the Cassier Memorial Forest, and set up a new transect for the Deerfield property. Ms. Kent stated she would respond via e-mail to Dr. Johnson.

OLD BUSINESS

NICK MOCCIA – MAINTENANCE DREDGE APPLICATION, 44 LONG HILL RD OLD TAX MAP/LOT 008/018-004

Mr. Moccia came before the Conservation Commission with an application for a proposal to make a man made pond deeper for both wildlife and fish, install an aerate fountain, as well as flora where needed. The Members reviewed the application. Their concerns were regarding:

1. There is a small patch of sand in the wetland next to the pond and the wetland needs to be restored.
2. The spillway/dam is to be constructed within the area of the man-made pond.

The Members decided to include a letter stating the above concerns with the application to be sent to DES.

MOTION: Mr. Wood made a motion to sign the application and attach the Conservation Commission's letter. Mr. White seconded. The vote was unanimously in the affirmative.

WILLIAM DEMANCHE, 66 LANGFORD RD, NEW TAX MAP/LOT 032-003/005 TREE CUTTING – JULY 22, 2004 SITE WALK UPDATE

Mr. Wood stated that he and Mr. White conducted the site walk. Mr. Wood stated the proposed tree cutting is more than 50 feet from Onway Lake, and Mr. Demanche stated he would be putting up some more trees in a different location and bushes. Permits are not required whereas the cutting would be more than 50 feet from the water.

STACY ZABRYNSKI, 70 WEST SHORE DRIVE, OLD TAX MAP/LOT 013/109 EXPEDITED SEASONAL DOCK NOTIFICATION APPLICATION

Ms. Kent recused herself whereas she is an abutter.

Ms. Killam resumed the meeting as Vice Chair.

Ms. Killam stated the applicant initiated an incorrect application. After reviewing the seasonal dock applications, the Minimum Expedited Wetlands Application would be given to Ms. Zabrynski. The proposal is for a seasonal dock that is 8 feet long and 40 inches wide. The water frontage is 50 feet. The dock would be put in 25 feet from both sides of the property.

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Ms. Killam polled the Members regarding if there are any objections to the 8-foot long dock on this property. Mr. Wood, Mr. White, and Ms. Killam recommended that they had no problem. Ms. Killam would sign the completed Minimum Expedited Wetlands Application as voted on at the July 21, 2004 meeting.

Ms. Kent resumed the meeting as Chair.

JULY 12TH - SELECTMEN MEETING – ACCEPTANCE OF LAND

Ms. Kent stated she attended the July 12, 2004 Selectmen's Meeting regarding acceptance of land in Green Hills. She was informed that this issue had "fall through the cracks for a while, then reappeared". At the July 12, 2004 Selectmen's Meeting, the Board of Selectmen voted to accept the parcel of land. She said she stated to the Selectmen that the Conservation Commission was in favor of accepting the land as long as it was kept as open space and stayed as conservation land, and not to be sold to any abutters. Mr. Wood added that the Conservation Commission would pay for any legal fees required for the land transfer, and a nominal honorarium total package not to exceed \$1000 to come from the Conservation Commission Fund Account. This was voted on at a prior Cons Com meeting.

OTHER OLD BUSINESS

Regarding the Tannery Land, Mr. Wood stated that a petition was submitted which removes the question from 41:14a and puts it before the Town in March. The purchase and sales agreement expires in December of 2004, which possibly could change. Mr. Wood stated there could have been misunderstanding regarding the clean up. Mr. Wood explained the deal of the sale of the land and the option to swap the land. The Members agreed that the residents of Raymond should stay informed, such as the "On The Common".

OUTSIDE BOARD REPORTS

BEAR PAW REPRESENTATIVE – PETER CLEAVES – Mr. Cleaves not present.
BOARD OF SELECTMEN – JONATHAN WOOD

Mr. Wood stated the Selectmen accepted grant funds for the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day the end of October of 2004. Also, the Riverside Dog Bark Park was approved. The Selectmen discussed polling place accessibility problems. Regarding the Lamprey River Instream Flow Protection Pilot Program, Frank Bishop and Jack Barnes were also recommended as nominations for membership, as well as Charles White. Also, regarding the Tannery Site, due to the petition, it was noted that one of the contributors for the wastewater feasibility study, who was going to give half of the money, is questionable, but could possibly be phased.

PLANNING BOARD – JONATHAN WOOD - No report given.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT – CHARLES WHITE – No report given.

ERLAC REPRESENTATIVE – CHARLES WHITE – Next meeting in September.

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CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter, dated July 1, 2004, to Rick Bates, from Comprehensive Environmental Inc., Re: 2004 Water Restoration Grants. Ms. Kent stated she looked at the list of impaired water bodies and found none to be in Raymond.
- Workshop, Land Conservation Techniques for Municipalities – Mr. White stated he would be attending the workshop on August 5, 2004.
- Memo, dated July 21, 2004, from Planner Wheeler, Re: Joint Meeting Request, regarding the proposed placement of a new water tower. Joint Meeting to be on August 5th at 7:30 p.m., and site walk to be at 5:30 p.m.
- Letter, from DES to William and Gayle Blackwood, Dredge and Fill Application approval.
- Letter, dated July 15, 2004, from DES to Bimini Development Corp., Re: Permit #2001-00250 for work at Blueberry Hill. “The project involved the establishment of a conservation easement to be deeded to the Town of Raymond. A final copy of the deed that has been signed and accepted by the town of Raymond has not been filed with the Wetlands Bureau as was required by the permit conditions.”
- Letter, dated July 15, 2004, from DES to Earl Foster, Jr. Trustee, Foster Realty Trust, Re: Wetlands Bureau Complaint File #2004-01611, 78 West Shore Rd., Tax Map/Lot #13/113. “DES has received a complaint alleging that you have placed fill in a wetland without a permit from DES.”
- Reminder of the Ethics Training on August 24, 2004 at 6:30 p.m., Town Offices.
- *The Source*, publication
- *Small Flows*, publication
- *On Tap*, publication

PUBLIC FORUM – No items were addressed.

ADJOURN

MOTION: Mr. White made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Killam seconded. The vote was unanimously in the affirmative. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Walls, Recording Secretary

APPROVED 9/1/04