

**Minutes, Atkinson Conservation Commission
February 5, 2007
Atkinson Town Hall**

Call To Order by Chairman Tim Dziechowski at 7:22.

Attending:

Randy Bishop
Tim Dziechowski
Dan Kimball
Scott Kukshel
Denise Legault
Pete McVay
Paul Wainwright

Guest Business and Plan Reviews:

Public Information on the Conservation and Recreation Commission warrant article was discussed. Members put forward ideas for publicity, including an information poster visible from the highway on the Busby lot, newspaper articles, and townwide flyer mailings. It was pointed out that Conservation funds could not be used for any publicity activities, so all publicity will have to be through private donations. A motion was made and seconded to allow the placement of an informational placard on the Busby Land concerning the upcoming warrant articles. The motion passed unanimously.

Internal Business

Secretary report: deferred until March

Treasurer's report: funds expended for the Matte land, to record the deed. The entire amount (\$14,016) came out of the Conservation Fund.

Other:

Sawyer wetlands scientist report. Report done by Richard Bond, Rockingham Country Soil Conservation District. Certified soil scientist, certified wetland scientist, filed a report that showed that approximately 40% of the soil is wetlands.

Survey update, Stickney Road and Sawyer center entrance. The survey was completed and markers set in December. The canoe launch survey shows it is 27 acres. A trailer on the adjacent lot was parked on Conservation land, but the adjacent lot has been sold and the trailer moved. The Sawyer entrance was also marked.

Busby lot administrative tax rebate: Tim will get this on the Selectmen agenda for the rebate to the Commission.

Other Dredge and Fills / Site Walks / Complaints

2006-00066 Paul Masone, Stickney Road, shoreline restoration. Approved but administrative action being taken by DES.

2006-00875 Hemlock Heights, beach replacement permit, approved.

No file # 27 Island Pond Road, dredge and fill without permit. No new action.

2006-02263 Poole unpermitted dredge and fill ("fire pond") Administratively incomplete. No new action.

Map 5 Lot 2, Paley, brush dumped in wetland, DES complaint to be filed (per discussion with Eben Lewis, DES enforcement).

2004-02460 Mildred Reynolds, 23 Chase Island Road, construction of seawall without permit. Decision filed that she must prove that this was a pre-existing wall or face removal action.

Review of Correspondence

Planning Board Agenda Items: Scenic byway project update, will be taken up after elections are over. There was a request for an indoor arena: boarding of horses is considered agricultural use by the state.

Zoning Board Agenda items: Rowell and Gibbs variances approved. Susan and David Rowell, Map 16 Lot 41, 25 Emery Drive, wetlands setback variance for addition. Bob Gibbs, Map 17 Lot 34, 3 Brookside Terrace, wetlands setback variance to raise garage and addition.

Other Business

Matte lot purchase – the closing was completed for a cost of \$14,016, as noted in the finance report.

Warrant article, adopt Forest Road extension as fire road, is in the town list.

Warrant article, Busby/Sawyer lots, is in the town warrant list.

Busby barn roof: cut from \$3,000 to \$500 by the Budget Committee. Estimate was for \$3,000 for a complete repair.

SPNHF letter: concerning the Community Center lot. They inspected for encroachments, especially for the bridge construction project.

Steve Walker (state planning LCIP) will be invited to the March meeting, concerning easements and land.

“A Hard Road to Travel” book. Authorized to purchase two copies.

The next meeting of the Commission will be Monday, March 5th, at 7:00.

The meeting adjourned at 8:47.

Respectfully submitted,

Pete McVay