Minutes, Atkinson Conservation Commission October 3, 2011 **Atkinson Town Hall**

Call To Order by Chairman Tim Dziechowski at 7:04.

Attending:

Tim Dziechowski Dan Kimball Denise Legault Pete McVay Michelle Veasey Paul Wainwright

Private Session: Conservation Easements / Land Purchases

Commission went into private session under RSA 91-A:3, II (a) (d) to discuss land and possible gift lands. It was moved and seconded to go into private session, Passed unanimously.

Private session was closed at 7:55 by motion that passed unanimously by six present. Acclimation to seal by unanimous vote of six conservation members present.

Guest Business and Plan Reviews:

Pete had invited a member of the town IT Committee to meet in open session to answer questions on the revised town web site. A member couldn't be present because of lastminute scheduling conflicts. The session will be rescheduled to a later Conservation meeting. Tim noted that the Selectmen appoint the committee, but do not have supervisory control of the volunteer web pages and links. The "edict" that would require all groups to meet town standards upset a lot of the volunteer groups. Tim will forward the link to the new web page for Commission review. Further discussion was tabled pending an IT rep meeting.

Other Dredge and Fills / Site Walks / Complaints

Beaver dam trapper on Bryant Brook. Apparently the trapper had problems gaining access to the brook because of a dispute with an abutter. Tim needs to check status with the trapper. He drove through Marianne Drive in Plaistow and water level is down.

LCIP report for Caroline Orr town forest—still needs to be done

SPNHF 2010 monitoring report, Williams, W&M, #4—still needs doing. Pete volunteered to complete the report since he lives near the property.

NH Dam Bureau still has issues with Rick Schafer's dam. Since Rick had complied with all requests from the Dan Bureau, it is unclear what the problem is.

Possible wetland violation on Blackford Drive, road access permit was 2008-01798, DES checking file.

Review of Correspondence

Planning Board Agenda Items: there is the document given us by Julie LaBranche on incentive zoning and the legal justification for each. Probably cannot get it done for a warrant for this year. The NRI was received and Tim will put it on Google docs for review.

Zoning Board Agenda items: Tim has changed the ZBA letters to cc the Conservation Commission so we have a permanent record.

Other Business

Copyright issue with forestry report, forestry plan updates: Tim would like to put the forestry plan up for bid. The Commission members informally agreed with the plan.

Invasive species eradication (Bittersweet) do we want to schedule one. Japanese knotweed is supposedly done. 15 Oct, 30 Oct (Pete, Paul, Tim, Dan) Pete will find out what Ordione Point did to control their problem.

GPS: Shane Bradt from the UNH GIS department said that they use Garmin 76's but are in the process of replacing them with Garmin GPSmap 62sc. A 62sc was ordered and has been received: Tim showed the new GPS to the Commission.

Canoe launch, dock repair, Ted is pulling the dock for us.

Canoe launch, parking delimiters, still need to order berms. Pete will look at sinage for wording. Need rules format and commission will vote on final wording. At least put in a sign note that it is a "hand carry" launch, not for powerboats or large boats.

Checking possibility of **storing conservation files** in planning office, trail tools in town garage.

Big Island Pond will be drained (gate open) on Oct 12th. Pete put a notice on the web site.

Perambulation: the commission must walk the town lands. We must walk with our opposites of other towns.

The next meeting of the Commission will be Monday, 7 Nov, at 7:00.

Internal Business

Treasurer's report: Mowing bill for Carolyn Orr town forest field - \$275, paid

Ted is mowing Sawyer field this week

Bill for Garmin GPSMAP 62SC, 24K northeast maps, and 4 GB SD card, total \$570.29, submitted to bookkeeper

2012 budget is upon us, suggestions welcome. One possibility is game cameras.

Root wrench.

Need verbage for signs by next month for sign materials.

Other: reorganization. It was moved and seconded that the current slate of officers be elected to the new board by acclimation. Tim mentioned that we might get other spots, such as treasurer. Seconded and passed unanimously.

Recording of the meeting was turned off at this point because it was strictly for review of minutes.

Secretary report:

The July 2011 minutes were approved as amended with one abstention.

The meeting adjourned at 9:48.

Respectfully submitted,

Pete McVay