

Deerfield Conservation Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 8/31/09

Attendees: Serita Frey, Diane Thompson, Erick Berglund, Kate Hartnett, Dave Linden

Opening: 7:05 p.m.

Visitors:

- Frank Mitchell
 - Discussed the conservation of town forests with regards to approach and communication.
 - The Framework template presented by Frank will be reviewed at the next meeting

Action: Kate and Frank will draft an article for the Forum printed edition by 10/1

Action: Frank and Serita will meet with the Board of Selectmen and the Forestry Committee prior to any communication in the Forum

Action: Frank to provide easement cost estimates for the next meeting (9/14)

Action: Frank will remind Phil Auger to provide a list of towns that have conserved town forests

- Nese Farrell
 - DCC interviewed Nese for the part time administrative position.
 - The role will include preparing meeting minutes and other administrative duties
 - The DCC decided to hire Nese.

Action: Dave will send Nese prior minutes to help her understand the DCC's format

- Lisa Wolford
 - Lisa provided an update on the cataloging of Deerfield's conserved properties.
 - Lisa presented the commission with a well organized sample binder containing easement documentation. The remaining binders will be delivered to the Commission at the next meeting.

Action: Dave will send Lisa the list of town forests

Action: Serita will draft a thank you acknowledgement to Lisa and have it printed in the Forum.

Action: Kate will invite Lisa to the next meeting.

- Jim Franklin
 - Jim presented his report of August 14th regarding the Alvah Chase property.

Financial Officer's Report

- Erick proposed a motion to pay the \$1100 bill for Jim Franklin's services
 - \$500 from the budget and \$600 from the conservation fund.

Serita seconded
Passed unanimously

As of the end of July the conservation fund contained \$284,093.08.

2010 budget due on 9/11/09

- Erick proposed the same operating budget for next year
 - Dave seconded
 - Passed unanimously

Warrant articles – none offered.

Old Business

Dave gave an update on the Freese sign placement and postings: safety zones, permitted uses and parking.

Meeting adjourned - 9:40 p.m.

Next Meeting: 9/14/09

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Thompson