



Mason Conservation Commission Minutes

Feb. 9, 2011
7:00 pm to 9:30 pm

In Attendance

- Bob Dillberger
- Bob Larochele
- Barbara Devore
- Liz Fletcher
- Rob Doyle
- Ann Moser

Voted to accept the Jan. minutes.

Met with Jerry Anderson. He wanted to make us aware of three parcels he has for sale and wanted to know if the Commission would be interested in purchasing them: L-37, L-37-1, and L-38. According to Mr. Anderson, if the Commission buys the property, Bill Adams has agreed to donate L-7. All these properties abutt L-36 which is already town-owned.

Note to Bob D: bring NRI maps for next month's meeting to show to Russell Foundation reps. Bob L. will also prepare maps showing current conservation lands and areas under consideration.

Liz reviewed the feedback from our recent LCHIP grant application. The key is to have a project that protects large acreage for little money. Our application failed on both counts.

Still waiting to hear from the Forestry Commission regarding our joint project for invasive plant control. Barbara will follow-up with Chris Guiry.

Re kiosk for the Fifield property, Joe McGuire has the plans. But we need to wait for the new house to be built so we can draw an up-to-date trail map which we'll need for the kiosk.

Regarding gates at the Scripps Ln./RR Trail junction, we agreed it's an issue best brought up with the Selectmen and Mason police because many conflicting issues are involved. But we agreed to defer this action until after Town Meeting.

Reviewed the draft letter Liz wrote regarding converting B-3 and D-14 (town-owned) to conservation. Looks good, but we agreed to hold this until after Town Meeting, too.

For the record: six folks attended the orchid program.