

West Windsor Conservation Commission
Ted Siegler (Chair), Win Johnson, Mark Nowlan, Andy Harrington
Barb Gerstner, Chris Nesbitt, Laura Stillson

Minutes September 9, 2013

Call to order 7:07 p.m., Story Hall, West Windsor

In attendance: Ted Siegler, Mark Nowlan, Barbara Gerstner, Chris Nesbitt, Laura Stillson

Approval of August 5, 2013 minutes

Motion: Barbara Gertsner

Seconded: Mark Nowlan

Vote: Unanimous

Bernachez – 3 potential easements – Ted indicated easements for these properties would be trail easements, not parcel easements. Ted asked whether the Town or the Conservation Commission should hold these easements. Given the concern for the cost of legal challenges in the future, Chris suggested a fund source similar to a Stewardship Endowment.

Motion: Chris Nesbitt made a motion for the Conservation Commission to hold the easement subject to receiving funds to enforce enforcement of such easements.

Seconded: Laura Stillson.

Vote: unanimous.

Trees for Streams – Ted indicated there are currently no funds for the project.

Geomorphic Assessment – Ted informed us Fitzgerald Environmental Associates, LLC. in Colchester is performing the assessment. Chris and Ted discussed looking into possible funding from Trout Unlimited for culvert assessments.

Bowers Bridge Property – Win sent the current property owner a letter of interest regarding purchase of the property by the town, still waiting for a response.

Town Forest motorized vehicle access – Tabled until October meeting.

Sewer – Conservation Commission has interests in a sewer line into the village due to evidence of E. coli in Mill Brook.

Invasives – Barbara will draft an educational invasive species letter for the general homeowner as well as for businesses who could unknowingly spread invasives, such as landscapers.

Motion to adjourn at 8:11 by Mark Nowlan

Next Meeting October 7, 2013

Respectfully submitted by Laura Stillson