

Swanзей Conservation Commission Minutes

December 11, 2007

7:00 p.m. at Town Hall

[Note: Minutes are not final until reviewed and approved by the Commission. Review and approval generally takes place at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Commission.]

Call to order by chair at 7:05 p.m.

SCC members present: Steve Stepenuck [chair], Mike Morrison, Michael Day, Grace Lilly

Excused: Deb Crowder, Bob Wyman, Paul Daniello, Polly Glidden, Tiffany Mannion

1. Minutes: Mike M motions to accept minutes, seconded by Steve. All in favor 3-0-1-5
2. Reports:
 - a. Treasury: (Steve) -no new expenses this month
 - b. Subcommittee/reps Reports
 - i. Ashuelot River Local Advisory Comm. (Steve):
 - working on Rivers Management and Protection Program signs for the four Ashuelot River Bridges.
 - new conservation easements in Gilsum, Marlow, and Lempster along head waters.
 - ii. Open Space Committee (Deb) no report
 - iii. SWRPC Natural Resources Advisory Committee (Mike M) no report
 - iv. Conservation Subdivision Committee (Deb, Tiffany) no report
 - v. SCC webpage (Michael, Tiffany) Minutes ready to be uploaded to site. Michael to meet with Sara in January for events, land use, etc as discussed in September
3. Unfinished Business:
 - a. Permits and Violation
 - i. South Branch Group: no action by DES
 - ii. K & B Anderson: second dock permit
 - iii. Sanders: after the fact wetlands fill permit.
 - iv. Gale: DES declares restoration plan of wetlands deficient
 - b. Projects:
 - i. Honey Hill access/parking: no response from selectman for parking
 - ii. Carpenter-French: annual report, Steve to contact Alan Gross about two possible trail dates 12/15 or 12/29.
 - iii. Muster Property: with snow, postpone to January meeting
 - c. Miscellaneous
 - i. No response from selectmen requesting secretarial services
 - ii. Filing needs: Grace motions to purchase locking file cabinet to be place in an accessible place. Mike M. seconds. All in favor: 4-0-0-5
4. New Business:

- a. Permit/variance applications
- b. Miscellaneous:
 - i. 2008 roadside cleanup date: Mike M motions to set date for April 19. Grace seconds. All in favor 4-0-0-5. To talk in January about supplies/publicity/times/recycling
 - ii. SCC annual report: roadside cleanup, conservation lands, conservation camp, other committee involvement, permits/projects, canoe trip, education activities, college scholarships, wood duck/blue bird boxes
 - iii. Open Space Committee letter asking for a report regarding parcels in town deemed most worthy of protection. Grace volunteers to follow up with Sara in regards of Mill-K and Saw Mill parcel survey. Try to plan for a joint meeting in February with Open Space.
 - iv. Open Space Committee letter requesting to direct Conservation Land Acquisition capital reserve funds. Plan to discuss with Open Space in joint meeting.
 - v. Global Warming: Steve motions to place a resolution to control global warming on the town warrant ballot for 2008. Michael D seconds. All in favor 4-0-0-5.
 - vi. Aquifer Protection: progress report to be discussed in January meeting by Mike M. and Grace.
 - vii. Mail: invitation to Christmas dinner, concert from Pilgrim Pines
 - viii. Conservation Land Stewardship Program monitoring reports on Muster field and Swanzy Lake Dam properties.
- 5. Adjourn: Michael D motions to adjourn at 9:58 p.m. Grace seconds. All in favor 4-0-0-5