Swanzey Conservation Commission
Minutes
9 January 2007
7:00 p.m. at Town Hall

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

Attendees: Art Whipple, Steve Stepenuck (SJS), Mike Morrison, Polly Glidden, and Paul Daniello (PD) and Deb Crowder. Bob Wyman excused.

1. Call to order: 1930 hr.
2. **Minutes:** Chair moves to approve November and December minutes. Art seconds. Approved 6-0-0.
3. **Reports:**
   a. Treasury: nothing new to report
   b. Subcommittees/reps Reports:
      i. ARLAC –Re; Swanzey section of Ashuelot River management plan. SJS testified before Planning Board (PB) on 21 December. Approved unanimously through the town's master plan..
      ii. Open Space Committee-Deb
         1. Discussion Re: Canyon Springs. Beth Fernald, Town Counsel, says town cannot take fee ownership. If town assumes control prior to homeowners association established, then it assumes liabilities associated with it. The association needs to place the easement. Town is not in the business of owning property. Conservation easement (CE)is option. However, Monadnock Conservancy does not want to hold CE. CE stewardship is also an issue.
         2. OSC held special meeting on 2 January prepare for public hearing on 4 Jan.
      iii. NRAC-no report
4. **Unfinished Business:**
   a. **Maynard, Cobble Hill Rd.** No action by SCC. Permit already issued by NHDES.
   b. **Chem Clean Furniture Restoration, S. Winchester St- Update:** Furniture stripping operation. Drums have been moved. Trench dug from building to storm water catch basin across the street.
   c. **Canyon Springs Subdivision (25-homes) development (Reyes/Cross).**
      i. Public hearings 4 January, 18 Jan .Explore possibility of deeding open space parcels to town, CE, trail relocation, expenses, etc.
      ii. Dick Ober (Monadnock Cons) and PB members walked the trail to beaver pond. Ober sent letter to PB stating that Monadnock Cons interested in land, however, serious reservations about homeowners association.
      iii. Vote: SJS will draft letter to PB and NHDES stating SCC concerns with the project. (7-0-0)
   d. **Mill K/E. Legere.** SCC votes to recommend that town ensures that trees appropriate to forest/floodplain habitat are replanted to replace those removed from property by Legere. (7-0-0)
5. **New Business**
   a. Carlisle Wide Plank Flooring. SCC needs to meet.
   b. **Miscellaneous:**
      i. Project for 2007: Review zoning ordinances, open space
      ii. Mail
         1. NHDES Land reserve management workshops

Meeting adjourned @2216
Respectfully submitted,

Paul Daniello
Secretary Pro-tempore