

Westmoreland Conservation Commission Meeting
October 3, 2015 minutes (unapproved)

Meeting called to order at 7:10

Present: Marshall Patmos, Selena Gallen, Mary Bradley, Perry Sawyer

Minutes of the September 3, meeting were approved as submitted

The request from the NH Dept of Transportation concerning the property to be demolished in December at 1428 route 12 was reviewed. No issues of concern were found that need to be relayed to the State.

We have received no further report or action from the NH Dept of Environmental Services concerning the floodplain violation on Ferry road.

Information about conservation easements has been requested. Marshall will gather information and share it with the landowner.

Selena spoke about her attendance at a Sept 15 joint Conservation/Agriculture Commissions meeting at Stonewall Farm. Found it interesting to meet members from other towns.

Reminder that the annual NH Assoc of Conservation Commissions annual meeting is scheduled for Nov 7 in Pembroke. We have budgeted for attendance should anyone wish to attend.

Marshall reported on a County Farm Committee meeting. Repairs to some of the farm and rental buildings, a new lease arrangement for when the current lease is over in May 2016, a process to determine various options for Maplewood vs building new/repairing has been decided and a firm has been chosen to examine and compare options and associated costs. A tour of the jail followed the meeting and those attending were appalled at the condition. The whole facility is toxic with mold. Face masks and foot protection had to be worn to protect those in attendance. It appears it will have to be torn down.

Mary reported she has met with some students from Antioch to assist with her program at the school.

The recent 5" of rain came very close to causing major flooding problems. We have been asked to contact the Dept of Environmental Services to again see if any work can be done to abate the flood potential from White brook along Mt Gilboa road. Marshall met briefly with Selectmen to inform them of the problem.

We should be thinking about our 2016 budget request and can discuss it at our next meeting.

We may have to schedule a day when many of us can meet and organize the map closet.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Nov 5

Meeting was adjourned at 8:32

Submitted by Marshall Patmos