

NORWICH CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES for APRIL 20, 2010

Present: Craig Layne, David Hubbard, Dan Goulet, Bill Pierce, Peter Silberfarb, Frank Olmstead. Absent: Brian Kunz, Genevieve Morinville

Public present: Lee Michaelides

1. Public Comments

Lee M. stated that the Vermont Assn of Conservation Commissions has turned down a grant application by the NCC for a "Tiny Grant" for a speaker.

2. Town Plan

Craig L. reminded everyone of the town plan comment opportunity and workshop meeting on April 29, 2010.

3. NCC officers for 2010-2011

There was a discussion of nominations for the 2010-2011 officers. Final action was postponed until the May 2010 meeting.

4. Reports and Announcements

Peter S. reported that the Patashnik property on Campbell Flats Road may become available in the near future. This would be for Connecticut River access, although several commissioners noted that there is currently public access at the State of Vermont site closer to the Connecticut.

David H. is monitoring training opportunities for invasive plants eradication. He will have a report at the May 2010 meeting.

Craig L. noted that the Norwich Women's Club is accepting grant applications.

David H. reported that the Trails Committee has determined that the bridge at the lower end of Brown Schoolhouse Road is deteriorating and needs work. He also suggested that the Trails Committee should inform the Upper Valley Trails Alliance that the "Blue Ribbon Trail" in Norwich is not a public trail, because use rights from all landowners have not been acquired.

5. Minutes of February 16, 2010. The minutes of the February meeting were moved, seconded and unanimously passed.

6. Peter S. will explore getting a speaker for the next public education program

presentation. Several commissioners noted that the recent presentation by Charles Berger was well attended and very interesting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM. Next meeting is on May, 2010.

Frank Olmstead,  
Acting Secretary