Candia Conservation Commission APPROVED

Meeting Minutes-16 May 2006

Present: Chairman Ed Fowler, Vice-Chair E.Kruse, Selectmen's Representative T.Giffen, and members J.Miele, J.Collette, R.Weeks, D.Lewis, J.Lindsey, D.Levesque, S.Carrigan, and guest speaker Mark West.

The regular monthly meeting was called to order at 7:03pm by Chairman Ed Fowler.

Guest Mark West, a wetlands scientist with West Environmental Company, did a presentation explaining the process of designating prime wetlands to help protect natural resources. There are a total of three phases in the process, and Mr.West will provide a proposal for the three phases as well as look into grant support that may be available.

J.Miele **moved** to accept the minutes of April 18, 2006 as amended. J.Lindsey **seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.** The following amendments were made:

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-Page 1, paragraph 2, line 3, change "Farmland" to "Farm".
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J.Miele **moved** to accept the minutes of May 2, 2006 as amended. J.Lindsey **seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.** The following amendments were made:

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-Page 1, paragraph 1, line 4, change "Farmland" to "Farm".
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J.Lindsey reported for the Planning Board stating that the Miele/Hyers lot line adjustment was approved. An informational for the Exit 3 property was held and the plans now included a private instead of public road.

J.Miele reported that Jim Lindsey created a map of the trails on the Deerfield Road property and it was available on the web site.

E.Fowler stated that there was a correction in the amount of the check that was received for the forest management project on North Road. The amount was \$826.36 not \$850.00.

⁻Page 1, paragraph 2, line 4, add "Land" after "Ranch".

⁻Page 1, paragraph 1, line 5, add "Land" after "Ranch".

⁻Page 1, paragraph 1, line 7, change "and" to "who will".

E.Fowler reported that the grant application for the Sanborn property on Chester Road was submitted on May 11th. The appraisal for the property came in at \$595,000. The grant will fund 45% of the cost, totaling \$267,750 leaving the remainder 55%, or \$327,250 to be paid by the town over a five year span. Mr. and Mrs. Sanborn will be having a second appraisal done in the near future.

E.Fowler reviewed the correspondence received since the last meeting with the commission.

E.Kruse reported that Bear Paw was organizing a Turtle walk, and will hold a Bio-thon on June 3rd on two easement sites: Nottingham and Deerfield.

E.Kruse reported that a meeting was held on May 9th for the Lamprey River Water Shed Association. The committee is looking for one or two representatives per town to be on the advisory committee. The next meeting will be held sometime in July.

J.Lindsey reported that Raymond Davis, who owns a 40 acre parcel of land on High Street across from the town hall, contacted her to see if the commission would be interested in purchasing the land. The appraisal for the property came in at \$160,000 and the owner is asking \$300,000. E.Fowler stated that the commission was not interested as the land was not prime land and it was over priced.

J.Lindsey asked if the commission would be interested in offering a scholarship for a Candia student to attend Barry Conservation Camp. Due to the limited amount of time before the applications were due, the commission decided that it could be put into the budget for next year.

The meeting adjourned at 9:23pm. The next regular monthly meeting will be on Monday, **June 19, 2006** commencing at 7:00pm in the Town Office Building, 74 High Street, Candia.

Respectfully Submitted By: Dawn Anne Higgins-Currie Conservation Commission Secretary