

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**  
**April 3, 2013**  
**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
**Approved at the May 15, 2013 meeting**

**PRESENT-** Dean Anson, Marnie Schulz, Deb Williams, Hillary May, Mike Foote and Lisa Morin

**ABSENT-** Jane Connelly

**I. Call To Order :**

**II. New Business:**

**a. Downtown Merchants Earth Day partnership**

The Downtown Merchants Association requested Con. Com. assistance on Earth Day which will be held on Monday April 22, 2013. Stay tuned for details. No matter what we will be marking a few prominent catch basins in the Downtown

**b. Akwa Vista, preliminary discussion, the Lodges at Meredith Bay**

The Con Com was content with the presentation as long the promised full site plan May presentation constructively reflected all pertinent Con Com requests.

**c. Black Brook event update**

L. Morin followed up with Amanda McNuge at Spinnaker Cove and D. Anson will meet with The Board on Sunday. The time for the event will be at 10:15 AM. A lecture to the General membership will be held in Early June. At that time Dean Anson, Seth Nuttelman, Pat Tarpey, and possibly a representative from Aqua logic representatives will cover all relevant challenges faced by Black Brook. D. Anson suggested we need a good clear strategy to approach the ARM funds. H. May suggested S. McPhie pull the previous pre-application information together and submit it for this year as that was already completed. L. Morin added to make sure to include the EPA 9-part criteria for the grant itself. S. McPhie we would track down last year's submittal and get it sent in before the April 15, 2013 deadline. D. Anson suggested local press be involved in promoting any Black Brook educational opportunity after the Spinnaker Cove meeting when we meet with Gilford at a site yet to be determined.

**III. Old Business:**

**a. Transfer station Earth Day Master Gardner Update for Saturday April 20, 2013 event and early June pollinator planting project**

D. Anson requested that M. Foote pick up the plantings from L. Morin and store them on his property until the early June planting date at the transfer station. M. Shultz, D. Anson, S. McPhie and Waste Management personnel will meet next week to determine the plan for Saturday April 20 and the planting sequence for the week of June 2, 2013. All are invited to the Saturday April 20 Bee house building event conducted by the girl scouts. M. Foote also had some pine trees to donate to the project. D. Anson felt they could be added in certain sections of the project area. S. McPhie said after their meeting earlier today We could expand out of the round footprint area and add additional vegetation where permitted.

**IV. Liaison & Sub-Committee Reports:**

**-Permit Sub-Committee -**

The Con Com received an application to replace the Southdown Beach by adding additional sand in kind. All members present particularly those that live on site were opposed to approving the permit because there are much larger issues on the site and the area needs to be engineered properly to prevent sand wash off as it negatively impacts the Lake and placing additional sand that will exasperate the problem even more is not the correct solution. Comments will be sent to DES.

S. McPhie added the State DOT would be working on replacing the culverts that are located under Route 106 in the vicinity of Anthony Drive. L. Morin and D. Anson added there were invasive plants in the vicinity of the culverts. S. McPhie said he would communicate that to DOT.

**V. Other Business:**

**- Subdivision/ Site Plan update**

**- Commissioners Comments**

D. Anson added that he had spoken to K. Dunleavy, Laconia Park Recreation Director and he recommended an adopt a spot location near the Laconia Middle School where some existing raised beds exist that are not currently maintained. The Con Com would plant vegetables or flowers at this site.

D. Anson praised Osborne Agway in Tilton for their seed donations to a local non-profits and hoped all would support their business.

L. Morin announced the May 22, 2013 Local Foods meet and Greet event.

L. Morin updated us on the Jewett Brook project indicating the next step would be a Brook clean up and the pursuit of grants to finance a Black Brook Subcommittee that would consist of Con Com members from both communities.

**- Staff Comments**

**VI. Adjournment:**

L. Morin made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by H. May. The motion passed 7-0-0.