TILTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

FEBRUARY 16, 2009

MINUTES

Members present: Sukie Clark, Bob Hardy, Helen Hanks, Kathi Mitchell and Jim Cropsey. Also present: Eliza Conde, Secretary.

Minutes: Sukie Clark moved, seconded by Bob Hardy to accept the minutes of January 19 and February 4, 2009 as read. Motion passed.

Land Purchase: Helen Hanks will be attending the Selectmen’s meeting to discuss the legal fees accrued by Ron Martin and his request that they be dismissed. The Selectmen will determine which Attorney they want to draw up the deed and do the title search. She will also ask whether they want to purchase title insurance for the property. Helen Hanks will ask Atty. Mark Puffer about placing a Conservation easement on the property and who would actually hold the easement.

Bob Hardy moved, seconded by Kathi Mitchell, to repay the Town with funds from the Conservation Fund in the amount of $3,250 ($1000 down payment, $500 Blue Moon report and $1750 AJ Klumb environmental report). Motion passed.

Members discussed the possibility of purchasing the abutting property and generally decided that the cost of removing the old gas tanks and the buildings would be prohibitive. Jim Cropsey suggested that the town could buy it, clean up the lot and resell it with restrictions. Members would prefer to concentrate on other properties that might include access to water. Sukie Clark moved, seconded by Bob Hardy to not consider purchasing the abutting property. Motion passed.

4H Camp: As Middle School teacher Cenanne Sanders is willing to help with essays for camper selection, Kathi Mitchell moved, seconded by Jim Cropsey to sponsor a Middle School student to attend 4H camp for one week at $450 this summer. Motion passed.

Spring Newsletter: Suggestion for articles:

- Dressing for cool weather
- Animal tracks
- Don’t feed deer
- Bird feeders and bears
- Land Purchase
- List of parks
ZBA appeal – Procopio: Helen Hanks reported that she attended the ZBA meeting and that the appeal of decision was denied.

Correspondence:

- DES – Tilton Nurseries
- DES – Shoreland Impact permit – Winnipesaukee Trail
- NH Arborist Assoc.
- NH Forestry Council newsletter.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eliza Conde, Secretary