

Town of Temple  
Conservation Commission  
Minutes  
January 9, 2006 Meeting

Attendees: Ben Tirey, Honey Hastings, Roger Hatt, Eric Foley, John Kieley, Linda Homer, Lincoln Geiger and Bruce Kantner. Dave Repak was out of town.

The minutes from the prior meeting were reviewed. Honey made a motion to approve, Ben seconded and the draft was accepted unanimously.

The Secretary reviewed recent bills and their disposition.

The Commission received a notice from the State re the annual inspection of the Pratt easement and the Secretary was asked to send an e mail soliciting participation on that monitoring trip.

The Federal Farmland Protection Program was discussed including available assistance from the Hillsborough County Conservation District in preparing the filing. IT was agreed that the Secretary should file the form with the Conservation District to get Temple into the queue for this help.

Bruce and Kieley discussed the mapping project with SWRPC. It was agreed that SWRPC should be asked for a digital version of the maps so that Greg Fiske and others could make use of the maps in their ongoing work on Temple mapping.

Priorities for the next few months were discussed and the following agreed to:

- 1.....Tamposi: It was agreed that the Commission should stay actively involved. The Secretary was asked to draft a letter to the Planning Board for Commission review.
- 2..... Membership: It was agreed that the opening would be posted on the Town bulletin boards and that a letter should be written to the selectmen advising them of the posting as well as the fact that the commission intends to interview candidates and make a recommendation to the selectmen. The secretary was asked to handle both tasks.
- 3.....Warrant Article: Linda reviewed a draft. Kieley to send her the form that other groups have used. Final petitions are due on February 7<sup>th</sup>.
- 4..... Water specialist: Following up on the NRI it was agreed that a discussion with a water resources specialist would be beneficial.
- 5.....Conservation Plan: Again as a follow up to the NRI and as called for in the Master Plan it was agreed that preliminary steps should be taken for a conservation plan. Given the extensive work that the Town of Swanzy has recently undertaken with the help of SWRPC and the Monadnock Conservancy it was agreed that we would look at their Open Space Plan as a possible starting point.
- 6.....Records: The secretary agreed to send an e mail to Betsey in the Selectmen's Office to determine what space/facility they might have to store Commission materials.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50. The next meeting is January 23 at 7:00 PM at the Library.