**<u>Call Meeting to Order:</u>** at 7 p.m. by Chairman Bagley.

<u>Members Present:</u> Chairman Earl Bagley, Vice Chairman Gene Young, Treasurer Roger Burgess, Members Russ Wilder and David Lawrence.

Members Absent: Nancy Mitchell and Selectmen Representative Robert Daniel.

Approval of Agenda: No Changes.

MOTION by R. Wilder to approve the Agenda as presented. Second by D. Lawrence. No discussion. Motion passes with all in favor.

#### **Public Input:**

- 1. Robert Butler and his wife Sue were present, residents of 67 Lakewood Road. Mr. Butler was present at the Public Hearing held on July 2, 2013. In general he was pleased with the presentation and supports the Mt. Major project. Mr. Butler did have a few other issues he wanted to present to the Conservation Commission.
  - a. He went on the Town of Alton website to contact the Commission and was disappointed that the website is not up to date and there are no phone numbers or emails to contact Conservation Commission members. R. Wilder noted that all communication should go through the Building Department Secretary, Cindy Calligandes.
  - b. Was pleased to hear the Forest Society's response to the snowmobile trails. Feels the Commission has leverage in wording of easement before the check is cut and delivered.
  - c. Ideas for parking lot and parking on Route 11. Would like to see a fee collected for parking (suggested \$10) or even just \$5 per car. Would like to see net profits go to Conservation Commission. Mt. Monadnock charges for parking. Concern for safety of parking on Route 11.
  - E. Bagley noted that monies cannot be collected on State property. Also, that the Commission and Forest Society have a great concern for the safety issue on Route 11.
  - Mr. Butler suggested using the Roberts property and collect a fee for hiking.
  - T. Howe added they had met with DOT and they are not interested in doing anything with the parking lot or parking problem on Route 11. They would prefer the Town of Alton to make any changes (maintenance, facilities, etc.) Forest Society does not have any leverage until the properties are purchased.
  - d. Asked about the implications of a new trailhead. In his opinion the Reed Road option would not be as desirable or accessible as Route 11.
  - R. Wilder responded that a new trailhead is not part of this project or being considered at this time.
  - Mr. Butler was very appreciative of the time to share his thoughts and suggestions.

Approval of June 27, 2013 Minutes: Reviewed.

MOTION by R. Wilder to approve the minutes of June 27, 2013 as presented. Second by D. Lawrence. No discussion. Motion passes with 4 in favor. G. Young abstained.

Approval of July 2, 2013 Public Hearing Minutes Reviewed.

MOTION by R. Wilder to approved the minutes of July 2, 2013 as presented. The minutes captures the main points of the meeting in a summary fashion. Noted there is a tape recording of this meeting of what was said verbatim and is available in the Building Office.

No discussion. Motion passes with 4 in favor. G. Young abstained.

Presentations/Consultations: None seen or heard. Presentations/Consultations closed.

<u>Planning Board/ZBA Agenda Items:</u> None seen or heard. Planning Board/ZBA Agenda Items closed.

## Standard Dredge and Fill Application:

1. <u>Clay Point Homeowners Assoc.</u> Map 18, Lot 36-1, 63 Shore Road. We are proposing a 4' pathway to access a stairway that will allow access to the families of the assoc. There will be a 4'x4' platform at the stairway and the removal of 2.3 cubic yds. of rock at the entrance. Total impact will be 298 sq. ft. including erosion control devices.

Existing entrance to the lake is over ledge outcrops which have proved to be very dangerous. This project will provide greater safety for the friends and families of the assoc. to enjoy the lake. **(40 day hold 7/3/2013)** 

MOTION by R. Wilder that the Conservation Commission reviewed and has no comments or concerns. Second by R. Burgess. No discussion. Motion passes with all in favor.

Notification of Routine Roadway and Railway Maintenance Activities: None seen or heard. Notification of Routine Roadway and Railway Maintenance Activities closed.

**Permit by Notification:** None seen or heard. Permit by Notification closed.

**Minimum Impact Expedited:** None seen or heard. Minimum Impact Expedited closed.

### **Shoreland Permit Application:**

- 1. <u>Robert E. Diorio</u> Map 47, Lot 8. 68 Basin Road. Proposing an addition to the existing home, and the installation of a pervious paver system on the existing drive. **The Commission reviewed and has no comments or concerns.**
- 2. <u>Joseph & Patricia Peterson</u> Map 79, Lot 35. 500 Rattlesnake Island. Temporary impacts of 4,040 sq ft. associated with the installation of a new effluent disposal system, necessary grading and erosion control devices.

The Commission reviewed and has no concerns but noted that the Lakes Region Conservation Trust is an abutter and was not notified.

Commissioner Reports: No reports presented.

# **Other Business:**

Forest Society - Follow up of July 2, 2013, Public Hearing.
 Tom Howe was present. R. Wilder asked whether there may be a way to make the Mount Major Snowmobile Club feel more secure in the wording of the easement. They are an important user group and would like to see a way to protect their interest.

T. Howe noted in the past they have worked with other groups and set up a 5 year agreement with specifications. Give Forest Society ability to make changes, etc. and is renewed.

Discussion on hunting and other activities wording in easement as well.

Discussion on access for emergency purposes. Once property is purchased discussion with Fire and Police is suggested.

Discussion on logging access. T. Howe has had conversation with the property owner that had the logging question at the public hearing and discussions have gone well. They would also ask, in return, for pedestrian access. T. Howe noted nothing will change regarding his logging.

MOTION by D. Lawrence. Move to reaffirm the Conservation Commission's intent to contribute \$230,000 from Conservation Funds toward the purchase of the properties in Alton by the Forest Society, subject to agreement on mutually acceptable language; to be reviewed by the Town Attorney and approval of the Board of Selectmen. Second by G. Young. Motion passes with all in favor.

### **Correspondence:**

- 1. <u>Linda/Thomas Diorio</u> Map 65, Lot 64-1. 40 Railroad Ave. **NH DES Application** Returned Due to Missing Information.
- 2. <u>Louis Garguilo</u> Map 46, 18-1. 268 Damon Drive. **NH DES Request for More Information.**
- Jack A. Szemplinski Map 58, Lot5. Timber Ridge Road. Re: File #2009-01301.
   NH DES reviewed and approved application.

Adjournment: MOTION by G. Young to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Second by R. Wilder. No discussion. Motion passes with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Carolyn Schaeffner Recording Secretary