

TOWN OF BROOKLINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE Conservation Commission

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Minutes Conservation Commission Tuesday April 10, 2012 7:00pm

Present: Francis (Buddy) Dougherty, Chairman (voting) Therry Neilsen-Steinhardt, Vice-Chair, Member (voting) Jay Chrystal, Member (voting) Evangelos (Evan) Gerekos, Alternate

Absent: Eric DiVirgilio, Alternate

Meeting Start at 7:00 PM

Buddy made a motion to recommend to the Board of Selectmen that Even Gerekos as a full member of the Conservation Commission with a term expiring in March of 2015. Therry seconded. Vote yes 3-0.

Jay made a motion that Tad Putney be recommended to the Board of Selectmen as an alternate member of the Conservation Commission with a term expiring in March of 2015. Therry seconded. Vote yes 3-0.

Appoint Chairman and Vice-Chair

Jay made a motion to appoint Francis "Buddy" Dougherty as the Chairman of the Conservation Commission for the next year and Therry as the Vice-Chair until March of 2013. Buddy seconded. Vote yes 3-0.

Logging at Melendy/ Morrell Lot

Jay said he spoke to Craig Birch about cutting and decided to cut 100 acres at a time instead of 50. Jay said he has a few questions after the conversation with Craig for the Board to make a decision on. Do we want to have this all chipped or not chipped. Where would we like the logger to start cutting. Lastly, do we want to move forward with this plan? Buddy said since the Board of Selectmen have tried to put the LUCT fund into the general fund, the Commission should hold off to see if the Commission loses funding. Jay disagreed, saying that the best thing to do is to start the logging right away. The only way this will work will be if Craig Birch's loggers start logging every year. This will

need to become a routine. We can have the loggers make out checks out to the Conservation Commission and we will put that money into the BCC funds. The Board suggested they sent a notice to the Board of Selectmen letting them know the Conservation Commission will start a selective logging operation of 100 acres on the Melendy Morrill property. **Buddy** said we should find out if the BCC has to pay timber tax. **Jay** said he thought so but we should look into it further.

Therry made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A: 3, II (d) for the purpose of discussing a possible land acquisition and adjourn the meeting immediately after. Jay seconded. Vote yes by roll call Therry, Jay and Buddy all voted yes.

Jay made a motion to invite Evan Gerekos to sit in for the Non-public meeting. Buddy seconded. Vote yes 3-0.

Jay made a motion to come out of Non-public session under RSA 91-A: 3 II (d), seal the minutes, and adjourn the meeting immediately after. Therry seconded. Vote by roll call. Therry, Jay, and Buddy all voted yes.

Jay made a motion to adjourn at 9:00. Therry seconded. Vote yes 3-0.

Francis (Buddy) Dougherty, Chairman _____

Therry Neilsen-Steinhardt, Vice-Chair ______

Jay Chrystal, Member _____

Minutes submitted by Kristen Austin Next meeting will be held on May 8, 2012