

**APPROVED**

Town of Grantham  
Grantham Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes  
November 15, 2010

Chairman Richard L. Hocker called the Conservation Committee meeting to order on Monday, November 15, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Jerry Whitney Memorial Room at Grantham Town Hall located at 300 Route 10 South in Grantham, NH.

**PRESENT**

Chairman Richard (Dick) Hocker  
Andy Eastman  
Merle Schotanus  
Lindsey Dixon (Alt.)  
Kristina Burgard

**ABSENT**

Jeremy Turner  
Joe Watts (Alt.)

Members of the public: None

**Approval of Minutes**

Chair Hocker asked the Committee members if they had reviewed the minutes from the October 18, 2010 meeting, were any additions/corrections to be made. *There being no corrections other than Merle Schotanus's addendum, motion was made by Merle Schotanus and second by Andy Eastman to approve the minutes of October 18, 2010. Unanimously Approved*

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

**OTHER BUSINESS**

***Smith Lot Forest Management Plan-Approval of Invoice:***

Since an invoice has not been received Hocker recommended that this issue be tabled until an invoice is received.

***Romano Parcels-Approval of Invoice:***

Hocker indicated that a formal vote of the Commission was required to effect payment of this invoice. *A motion was made by Andy Eastman and second by Merle Schotanus to pay this invoice post-facto.*

***Unanimously Approved***

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### ***Frog Pond – Update:***

Hocker indicated that he had a long conversation with Ken Ryder, Eastman General Manager, on the subject of Frog Pond. Ryder is still searching for a dumpsite for his ditch fill and stumps. As such he has proposed to add 5 (five) acres of Eastman owned land to the 12-acre Frog Pond lot and conduct an engineering study of the combined properties as a location for the dump. Hocker expressed the opinion to Ryder that he thought that any study would conclude that most of the combined property is wetlands hence unusable as a dumpsite. Another site just down the road from Frog Pond was recommended as a possible site that would avoid the wetlands issue. Note: Both the Woodland and Wildlife and Sustainability Committees of the Eastman Community Association have become involved in solving the dump issue.

### ***Planning for Conservation continued discussion/activities:***

A discussion led by Merle Schotanus on the status of the activities associated with the Wetlands Inventory project. Schotanus reiterated the staffing assignments for the sub-committees formed from the GCC membership. Additional discussion took place on the schedule of events and clarification was made of the process that was to be followed. As a final note, the Commission reviewed the power point presentation that Andy Eastman and Kristina Burgard created. Changes were made real-time since Eastman had is laptop with him.

### **HANDOUTS**

None

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Merle Schotanus announced an upcoming informational forum to be held at Kearsarge Middle School titled “How to Make Your Town Farm Friendly” to take place on Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup> from 6:00p.m. to 8:30p.m.  
The Outreach Committee of the Ausbon Sargent Land Trust puts on this forum.

### **AJOURNMENT**

Chair Hocker asked the members if anyone had any more questions. There being none motion was made by Andy Eastman and second by Merle Schotanus.

***The committee voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:47 p.m.***

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on December 20, 2010 in the Jerry Whitney Memorial Conference Room.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Martha M. Menard*  
Clerk