

**MANCHESTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES FOR MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 16TH,
2010
7:30 PM**

Members Present: Frank Belknap, Tom Leone, Doug Smith, Pat Clancy, Bill Treadway, Bonnie Potocki, and Mark Connors.

The meeting was called to order at 7:45pm. The minutes of the last meeting which was held on June 22nd were approved. The motion to accept the minutes was made by Pat Clancy seconded Doug Smith; minutes were unanimously approved.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Email received by Matt Bordeaux from Raymond Hardy, Bolton Conservation Commission. Mr. Hardy gave the commission the Cider Mill Village ERT Report as well as the OPM Findings and Recommendations Letter. He was in complete agreement with the OPM findings and recommendations. His concern was "within the "Public Drinking Water Protection Area" involved, there are several business that are still not in compliance with regulations addressing hazardous materials' use, storage or disposal. A close look at a topographical map shows the close proximity of Manchester's Reservoir #2 downslope." The commission will ask Matt about the businesses in the aquifer protection area at the next meeting.

Commission read OPM Findings and Recommendations Letter and are also in agreement with OPM. Commission questions whether the Town of Bolton has staff to adequately monitor new LID standards and Best Management Practices to be proposed in the Town of Bolton Zoning Regulations.

Bonnie Potocki distributed a rebuttal letter prepared by Eric Luntta, chairman of Bolton Planning & Zoning Commission on OPM Findings and Recommendations: Application for an Interim Change to the Location.

Matt Bordeaux received a letter from Spectra Energy indicating they are planning some work to the gas transmission line that occurs through the Porter-Howard Reservoir roughly parallel to Finley Street. He has contacted Peter Connorton with the Water Department because he noticed some erosion/washouts of the sandy trail that runs over the top of the line. He indicated by email that this would be an appropriate opportunity to have some maintenance take place.

REPORTS:

- HRLPC:
Doug Smith submitted the Hockanum River Linear Park Committee minutes; they are attached.
- Case Mountain:
Mark Connors reported on the Eagle Scout project eleven cedar posts. Large tree fallen on Spring St Trail. Rick Whitehead looking to acquire a land lock piece 6 acres which is a rear lot on Gardner ST.
- Manchester Land Conservation Trust:
Mark Connors reported that the MLT received a parcel on West Vernon ST. MLT has plans to extend the Cheney Rail Trail
 - Rail Trail/Greenway:
Mark Connors reported that Boy Scouts Troop 25 built the Hop River Linear Trail kiosk, a bench, a picnic table and installed ¼ mile markers, and removed brush.
 - Planning and Zoning:
Pat Clancy attended the town's northwest quadrant discovery meeting. Commission will request any comments received on the trails, Case Mountain, maps and Hockanum River from Matt Bourdeux
- Agricultural Task Force:
Tom Leone reported that John Weedon will report on results of survey at the October meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Doug Smith reported on the CLP Manchester to Meekville Junction Transmission Line project because the work will occur in the wetlands and flood plain associated with the Hockanum River. Two transmission lines will be upgraded.

Matt Bourdeaux informed the commission by email that the items may come before the commission

- McKee's Landscaping at 435 W. Center St. may be submitting a wetlands and floodplain permit application for the placement of a few storage trailers that will occur in the regulated area. Its a difficult site so close to Hop Brook and it appears that achieving approval of a flood plain permit may be burdensome so they are not yet sure what they are going to do.

- Buffalo Wild Wings is preparing their wetlands application for the former Mobil Gas Station site at 112 Buckland Street. The application will likely be very similar to Sonic's.

- Highland Park School is also preparing the required applications for the planned improvements to that site.

Doug Smith motioned to adjourn the meeting; Frank Belknap seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Leone Jr., Chairman