

MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
LISBON TOWN HALL  
AUGUST 16, 2011

MEMBERS PRESENT: Hans Kvist, Leonora Szruba, Richard Hamel and Joseph Lewerk.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mark Sullivan.

STAFF PRESENT: Joseph Theroux, Conservation Enforcement Official.

STUDENT AMBASSADORS PRESENT:

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Hans Kvist called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

MINUTES:

Motion by Lee Szruba to waive the reading of the minutes of July 19, 2011 meeting and accept as presented. Second by Rick Hamel.

**VOTE UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED.**

PENDING APPLICATIONS: None.

NEW APPLICATIONS:

1. Phil Armetta.

Adam Fox, HRP Associates, Inc. Presented the Commission with a revised application dated August 16, 2011 and explained the proposed project. He presented a certified wetlands survey and explained where the project would be located, the projects purpose and the delineated wetland areas. He answered questions from the Commission and accepted recommended changes the Commission requested, including revision of where wetland discharge is going and a stake out of the proposed building. He stated the changes would be ready for the site walk.

Motion to accept app #11-04 for review by Joe Lewerk. Second by Rick Hamel.

**VOTE UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED.**

Site walk scheduled for September 15<sup>th</sup> 2011 at 6 P.M. Commission members to meet at site.

COMMUNICATIONS AND BILLS:

1. Notice US Army Corp Engineers re: Updates to the PGP
2. Vacation schedule for CEO.
3. CT Wildlife magazine.
4. Thank you note from former student ambassador Olivia Krauss.

BILLS:

CEO Joseph Theroux for the month of July \$650.40.

Motion by Joe Lewerk to accept and pay the bill as presented. Second by Rick Hamel.

**VOTE UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED.**

*Town of Lisbon  
Conservation Commission  
1 Newent Rd.  
Lisbon, CT 06351*

August 16, 2011

To: Board of Selectmen

RE: Open Space Recommendation, Hoydila Property, N. Burnham Hwy

Dear Selectmen,

It is the recommendation of the Conservation Commission that the town take action to preserve the Hoydila property, N. Burnham Hwy as open space (Town of Lisbon Map 11, Block 50 - North Burnham Highway and Kimball Rd, 50 acres - and Block 56 - south of North Burnham Highway, 67 acres). The reasons for our recommendation are as follows:

1. The property is located within the conceptual open space corridor noted in the 2004 Plan of Conservation and Development.
2. Town owned open space property (Map 11, Block 67, 6.5 acres) is located approximately 1,300 feet south and downstream of the Lot 56 portion of the property, in proximity to Autumn View Dr. Additionally, town owned open space property is located some 800 feet from the Kimball Rd edge of the property at the end of Kimball Heights Lane (Map 11, Block 35). This town owned land is immediately adjacent to conservation land owned by the Glenney family (Map 11, Block 39). This conservation land in turn is contiguous with town owned open space property located at the end of Baron Drive (Map 12, Lot 15, 8.4 acres).
3. The two Hoydila parcels constitute a significant open space in close proximity to the highly populated Kimball/Rex/Sullivan roads area as well as the Strawberry Fields development. Both parcels also sit along a state designated scenic highway.
4. Wetland soils compromise approximately 20% of the parcel south of North Burnham Hwy (Block 56), extending through center of property to include areas adjacent to a perennial stream flowing through eastern portion.
5. According to data compiled in May 2007 by the Green Valley Institute Geographic Information Systems Center for the Town of Lisbon, Prime Farmland Soils constitute approximately 60% of Lot 50, especially adjacent to Kimball Rd and North Burnham Hwy, and 50% of Lot 56.

6. The house located on the western side of North Burnham Hwy (Lot 56) was inventoried on 5/1/2001 by the Connecticut Historical Commission and identified as the Burnham Tavern, a New England Farmhouse/Georgian building constructed 1780/1850 (Historic and Architectural Resource Survey of the Town of Lisbon, Connecticut, Project Historian Geoffrey Rossano, PhD, 2001). In addition, areas adjacent to the stream and central portion of Lot 56 have a high probability of archaeological findings according to information from the aforementioned Green Valley Institute information.

We respectfully request that you take our recommendation into consideration for the benefit of current and future town residents.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Hans Kvist", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Hans Kvist  
Chairman

Cc: Planning & Zoning Commission  
Lisbon Historical Society

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REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES:

Joe Theroux submitted a letter he had sent to Mr. & Mrs. Labonne concerning phases of their application that as of this date have not been completed.

Chairman Kvist reported he had been informed of a washout in back of 170 River Road and asked Joe Theroux if he would investigate the matter.

Joe Lewerk reported the open space project is still a work in progress.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. ABS development, 320 N. Burnham Hgwy. Nothing to report.
2. Open Space Project. Work in progress.
3. PSK: CEO reported no work as of this date.
4. Lisbon Textile. CEO reported status quo.
5. Hoydila property. Joe Lewerk read the letter he was asked to draft. He stated he will update the letter with the suggestions from the Commission and have the Chairman review and sign it and get it delivered to the Selectman personally so it could be addressed at the next meetings of the Selectman, Planning and Zoning Commission and the Lisbon historical Society. Attached.

PREVIOUSLY APPROVED APPLICATIONS: No action required.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

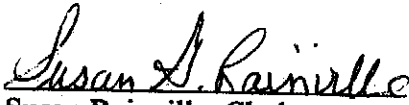
ANY OTHER BUSINESS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Joe Lewerk. Second by Rick Hamel.

**VOTE UNANIMOUS. MOTION CARRIED.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

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Chairman, Hans Kvist

  
Susan Rainville, Clerk

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