

Conservation Commission
Minutes
April 17, 2007

- Meeting called to order by Jean Perkins.
- Attending: Jean Perkins, Ellen Winchester, Gloria Barnes, Ronnie Kamphausen.

Announcements:

- Maine River Initiative meeting May 2 in Waterville
 - Not sure the subject? Will they be discussing “our” section of the river?
 - Jo will be back soon and will send out an announcement.
- Jo attended Kye Jacobs site walk
 - He’ll get in some more forms, e.g. plans of how to dispose of waste materials
 - Some plans fit into Land Use and some will not
- There was another site walk the next morning, no report on that one

Schools:

- Jean and Ronnie met with Principal and Mary Chapin.
 - Note: new principal’s name is Sally Brown
- Librarian has approved use of Ronnie’s booklet for school
- They will get in touch with Ronnie re date for visit

NH:

- Gloria sent an email to Sunapee but has not received an answer yet

Newsletter ideas:

- Pictures of Ronnie and kids for their activities.
- Identifying characteristics of vernal pools. How important they are. Where known ones are. Spotted salamanders, wood frogs (ducks quacking), peepers (not strictly vernal pools).
 - Off Parker Head Rd
 - Off Sam Day Hill Rd
 - Poliquin property.
 - Elsewhere?
 - Clifford road.
- Where are vernal pools? Ronnie heard wood frogs at Totman Cove. Found a garter snake. Wood frogs are mating now.
- We should be scouting for them.
 - Note: on 4/21 Ellen heard Wood frogs on Capt John Parker Road on the left in the woods by the sharp right turn just after the official “private road” sign
- Ronnie gave Mike characteristics of moths (e.g. cecropia, prometheus) to save for town web page should be posted here. Jo ok’d that.
- Ellen will start a draft of newsletter after completing the minutes of the last two meetings.

Meeting adjourned.