

TOWN OF OLD ORCHARD BEACH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes, February 2, 2010

[note] meeting re-scheduled to February 10, 2010

Attending: Andrea Berlin (Chair), Linda Jenkins, John Bird, Ginger McMullin, Pierre Bouthiller, Mark Koenigs, Bill Robertson (DPW), Pat Holland

Andrea reminded the commission that we need to come up with a budget. We need to give some thought about what is needed for maps, conferences, office supplies, etc.

It was suggested that some \$ be put aside for publishing of anemometer info. Pierre suggested that not more than \$2500 be used for this.

50 Acre Wood Subcommittee: There is talk of picking up the Charrette process again. Town Planner Gary Lamb would like to know what the Conservation Commission thinks.

Pierre met with the RSU Health Program Coordinator about the "Every Child Grows" program. The Health Program is interested in using some of the 50 Acre Wood property for their gardening and related programs, including a community garden. A motion was made and unanimously approved to work with Jackie Tselikis and the RSU Health Program to support the Every Child Grows Program's use of the 50 Acre Wood Property.

Andrea mentioned that the council would like to form a 7 member group to oversee the ballpark stadium. The commission's preference would be that the group be limited to overseeing the stadium facility until more plans are solidified for the 50 Acre Wood.

Bill Robertson, Interim Public Works Director, gave details on projects he is working on, including Ross Road and some other paving and drainage projects in a few different areas, including First St.

John Bird mentioned that Goosefare Brook is under "MS4" review (state stormwater program), so adding stormwater there should be looked at carefully. A stormwater plan needs to be implemented by the town very soon.

Beach Access Ramps: Bill Robertson has met with Bob Greene of DEP on the application for beach ramps. Bill estimates that \$50K worth of lumber and \$50K worth of building costs would be incurred to

put in the 12 boardwalks outlined in the Bar Mills Ecological application. Bar Mills is not longer working for DPW on this.

Bob Greene had indicated that DEP would work with the town on a reasonable plan. It may be that walkways may not need to be elevated. The town needs to have an application in by July.