

Litchfield Conservation Commission  
February 7, 2013  
7:00 p.m. Town Hall  
2 Liberty Way

Members Present: Joan McKibben, Chairman  
Tom Levesque, Vice Chairman  
Roger St. Laurent  
Pat Jewett, Selectmen's Rep.

Members Absent: Sharon Jones, Secretary  
Marion Godzik  
Richard Husband  
Michael Croteau, Alternate

Also present: Richard Jefferson, resident

Called to order at 7:22 p.m.  
No public Input

Items Discussed:

1. Mrs. McKibben stated letters were sent out to seven landowners regarding options for protecting their land. We have only heard from one so far.

2. **Darrah Pond Lowly Watermilfoil Report** - A survey of Darrah Pond was done in Nov. 2012 by Aquatic Control Technology to re-asses the native milfoil problem. The Commission received the report in January of 2013. In general cover of lowly watermilfoil was dense between 2-6 feet of water depth with densities tapering off to depths of roughly 8-9 feet. In depths less than 3 feet growth of lowly watermilfoil was at or near the surface. In water greater than 3-4 feet in depth milfoil growth was 1-2 feet below the surface. Cover of lowly watermilfoil dropped significantly beyond 6 feet in depth averaging less than 25% cover.

The Commission will go to the Board of Selectmen meeting in March to tell them about the study and see if they would like to pursue treating the problem. The options are chemical treatment, which would need a permit from the State, mechanical harvesting is also an option.

3. **Stage Crossing letter** On January 16 Mrs. McKibben sent a letter to the Board of Directors at Stage Crossing Association stating that there is a problem with yard debris within 50' of a wetland. This had been noted by someone taking a walk on the trail there. The Commission has had no response from Stage Crossing.

4. **Map 10 Lot 77, 9 Nesenkeag Dr. Pinewood eight lot subdivision** - There is a proposed eight lot subdivision off of Nesenkeag Dr. The Conservation Commission had to comment on the Aquifer Protection District. The covering of more than 15% of the lot in the residential zone is prohibited in the aquifer protection district. The commission could not find the calculation on the plan. We will try and get that clarified for the next meeting.

**1/3/2013 Minutes** - to be approved next month.

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Minutes composed by J. McKibben