

Litchfield Conservation Commission  
April 4, 2013  
7:00 p.m. Town Hall  
2 Liberty Way

**MINUTES APPROVED 5/2/2013**

Members Present: Joan McKibben – Chairman  
Tom Levesque – Vice Chairman  
Sharon Jones  
Roger St. Laurent  
Marion Godzik  
Richard Husband

Selectmen’s Rep: Pat Jewett

Absent: Michael Croteau – Alternate

Called to order 7:00 PM

Items Discussed:

1. **Darrah Pond Lowly Water Milfoil November 2012 Report-** Joan McKibben has the report but the Town of Litchfield is operating on the default budget, it is doubtful we would get funds needed to remove the milfoil from the pond. Mrs. McKibben contacted James Patterson of Hudson ConsComm, he said LCC could borrow Hudson’s aquatic float but we would still need to hire a diver., \$700., a day. LCC would have to apply to DES do to the herbicide involved, per AB Aquatics you can not cut the milfoil without the herbicide treatment. LCC to go to DES first, once LCC gets more info LCC will go to the Selectmen.
2. **Wildlife Sanctuary Sign** - Margaret Parent, Litchfield Resident in attendance. LCC’s lease expired on the property where the sign currently sits, owners subdivided into two lots. Joan McKibben spoke to Mr. Leary on Election Day, he was under the impression his family owned the sign but Mrs. McKibben has the receipt for the purchase of the sign. Options for LCC, leave sign where it is, move it a bit or move it to another LCC Property? Mrs. Margaret Parent in attendance, her uncle, Lewis Goffee, originally had put the sign there in memory of Isaac McQuesten. The sign was hit by a car and the Town had replaced it. Mrs. Parent’s family has 55 acres in the same vicinity and they would like to put the sign there (closer to the telephone pole by the power lines). The

Isaac McQuesten Wildlife Sanctuary was supposed to be a protected wildlife sanctuary. The lease was set up to contact landowners of use; ie; Boy Scouts. The property has a brook/small stream, it has beaver, bear, deer etc, the property also has a 5 acre farm lot. Mrs. Parent to meet with her family to see how much of their 55 acres they would like to have as a wildlife sanctuary. Jack Pincero (Road Agent) offered to move the sign.

3. **Map 10, Lot 77 Eight Lot Subdivision** – LCC to do a site walk 4/12 at 5:00 PM, to suggest limited salt use.
4. **Fishing Derby** - May 11, 2013, fliers to go to the school children with info, date etc. Sharon Jones to write to local companies asking for donations. The Girl Scouts will be there with refreshments. We need worms (50 containers) table, EZ Up Canopy/garbage cans/buckets etc.
5. **Commission Re-Appointments** – Sharon Jones and Roger St. Laurent. Joan McKibben MOTIONS to re-appoint Sharon Jones and Roger St. Laurent to a three year term, Tom Levesque 2nds the MOTION, **MOTION carries 5-0-2.**
6. **April 8, 2013 at 7:00 PM** – Selectmen’s Meeting, State Representatives and State Senator to meet and discuss pending Legislation.
7. **Clean Up 3A** – Saturday 4/27/13 8:00 A.M. parking at the old Town Hall.

**Any Other Business:**

Moore’s Falls - Roger St. Laurent was there and there are some big trees that came down over the winter. The (old) trolley tracks have a dead tree on it, ‘widow maker’ there as well. Joan McKibben to see if Jack Pincero (Road Agent) can get down there.

Joan McKibben Motions to accept February Minutes as amended, Tom Levesque 2nds the Motion, Motion carries 4-0-3.

Roger St. Laurent Motions to accept March Minutes, Tom Levesque 2nds the Motion, Motion carries 5-0-2.

Tom Levesque Motions to adjourn at 8:05 PM Marion Godzik 2nds the Motion, Motion carries 7-0-0.

**Next Meeting(s) Thursday, May 2, 2013**

Respectfully Submitted by: Sharon M. Jones, Secretary