

CHARLOTTE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

*Anne Bijur, Trafton Crandall, Mariana Du Brul, Suzy Hodgson,
Robert Hyams, Robert Mack, Gary Pittman, Holly Sullivan, Howard Verman*

Draft Minutes Meeting of August 18, 2009, Charlotte Town Library, 7:00-9:12 pm.

In attendance: Bob Hyams, Suzy Hodgson, Anne Bijur, Mariana Du Brul, Trafton Crandall, Howard Verman, Robert Mack

Mariana Du Brul was appointed as recording secretary for this meeting.

Approved June 2009 minutes with changes.

- **ACTION:** Anne to send June minutes to Holly.

ONGOING BUSINESS

- **Planning Commission Update** – Four applications were discussed and CCC members were officially assigned to follow those. Bob Hyams will follow the Burns property with Anne shadowing, Bob will also follow the Spears property (corner of Lake and Ferry) with Suzy shadowing, Trafton will follow the Glascoe property on Whalley Rd., and Robert Mack will follow the Jordan property on Spear St.
 - **ACTION:** Bob and Trafton to add application assignments to matrix.
- **Habitat Map presentation and discussion** – Trafton and Bob presented the Habitat Map and associated significant habitat reports to the rest of the present Commission members. Several habitat polygons were examined and the depth and sources of information were discussed. The role of the map and pros and cons were also discussed. The User's Guide was also discussed. Linda Hamilton is working on readying the guide for public distribution with a graphic designer.
 - **ACTION:** Trafton to circulate technical guide to other members.
 - **ACTION:** Trafton to check with Jesse Mohr regarding rare species information and how it can be removed to ready the map and associated materials for public distribution.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Education/Outreach** – Bob, Suzy and Howard met with Christa Duthie-Fox, a science teacher at CCS, to discuss potential ways the Conservation Commission could work with students. Ideas they discussed were: a role for students in the groundwater mapping study and some project involving grassland birds. The latter would be seasonal and have to occur near the end of the school year. Bob asked for other ideas. Mariana suggested monitoring at the Charlotte Park and Wildlife Refuge and Howard suggested students might be able to follow one aspect of nature at the preserve during each grade to see how things change over their time at CCS. Other ideas were some kind of help ground-truthing the habitat map and examining habitats on all the different town properties.

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Subdivision Applications followed by Conservation Commission

Susan Horsford	1033 Converse Bay Rd	Preliminary sketch plan (6/18)	Trafton Crandall	2 lot subdivision, lake shore
Lynn Mansfield	768 Mt Philo Road	Preliminary sketch plan (6/18)	Gary Pittman	
Old Town Trail Associates/Don Welch		completed	Gary Pittman	
Spears	SW corner of Lake and Ferry	Preliminary Sketch Plan 7/16	Bob Hyams Suzy Hogson	Division of 124 acres into 2 lots
Glascocoe	Whalley Rd		Trafton Crandall	
Jordan	Spear Street	Preliminary Sketch Plan 8/20	Robert Mack	
Keenan	North Pasture Lane	Final Plant Hearing	Gary Pittman	2 lot subdivision
Sharrow	Mt Philo Rd	Preliminary Sketch plan 9/17/09	Gary Pitman	2 lot subdivision
Burns	Greenbush	Preliminary sketch plan 8/16/09	Bob Hyams Anne Bijur	5 lot (major) subdivision