

**Town of Bennington
Conservation Commission
Minutes of the Meeting – March 20, 2008**

Conservation Commission members present were Chairman Joe MacGregor, Letitia Rice John Manley, and Valerie Germain

AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. UNH 4-H Camps**
- 2. Vacancy on the Conservation Commission**
- 3. Bruce Edes Forest**

1. John Manley presented information he had received from the UNH Cooperative Extension for 4-H Summer Camp opportunities. Programs being offered are for students from ages 7 – 17. The Conservation Commission is willing to help sponsor interested student(s). The Chairman will put an ad in the Transcript Ledger and Letitia will ask Principal West at GBS about putting a notice in the weekly newsletter. Wording is as follows for the ad:

Attention Bennington Youth
UNH Summer Camp Opportunities

Any Bennington youth between the ages of 6 and 17
who are interested in 4-H camp this summer,
please see Joe MacGregor at the Bennington Garage.
Scholarships available from the Bennington
Conservation Commission.

2. Members discussed the vacancy on the Conservation Commission due to former member Ken Cloutier moving out of Bennington. Possible candidates for the vacant seat were discussed. Josh Stewart's name was brought forward and discussed and members agreed he was a good choice to fill the vacancy. Joe MacGregor will bring the name to the Selectmen for approval and appointment at the next Selectmen's meeting.

3. River overlook – There is a point across from outflow canal that would make a good spot for an overlook in the Bruce Edes Forest. It overlooks the river to the Monadnock Paper Mill property. Specifically, you can easily view the grassy area where the flagpole is and this mill property was mowed and landscaped by Bruce Edes. Joe felt that a bench could easily be placed there. A springtime project is planned.

4. Setting Annual Goals and Objectives for the Conservation Commission – Members will decide on and set dates to plan this year's activities and events at the next meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 17, 2008

Respectfully Submitted,

Valerie Germain