Public Hearing – Cons. Comm. request for land purchase 09/23/13

Present: Harry C. Merrow, Chairman; Robert C. Freeman, Richard H. Morgan, and Martha B. Eldridge, who recorded the minutes.

Merrow opened the meeting at 5:00 PM and stated that this public hearing is to discuss and take input on whether or not to allow the Conservation Commission to purchase a parcel of land located at Duncan Lake Rd. Map 122 Lot 19.

James Scott, owner of the parcel stated that the restrictions that had been put on this parcel of land have been removed. Scott stated that he has had a wildlife scientist do a survey of the area and a wildlife corridor is present.

Ralph Buchanan spoke for the Conservation Commission and is requesting permission to buy the above listed parcel of land. The cost for the parcel is \$17,500.00 and the Dan Hole Trust has agreed to donate \$5,000.00 towards this purchase. A Purchase and Sales Agreement has been signed with Mr. Scott. The Commission is seeking permission from the Board of Selectmen to make the purchase.

Condict Billings and Pat Jones stated that the Planning Board disagrees with the purchase of this land. An easement has already been put on the land.

The Board will take this information under advisement and the next Public Hearing is scheduled for 10/07/13 at 5:00 PM at the Town Hall.

Merrow made a motion to adjourn. Leavitt seconded. A unanimous vote was taken.

Adjourned at 5:50 PM

Harry C. Merrow, Chairman

Robert C. Freeman

Richard H. Morgan