Canaan Conservation Commission

February 1, 2010

Attendees: Kate Brooks, Bill Chabot, Noel Everts, Alice Schori, Elizabeth Chabot, Aaron Allen, Len Reitsma, Julie Thomason
Guest: Erin Darrow

Nature Hut (TREC)
- Elizabeth and Sara need to coordinate some dates with Len to start marking trails. Alice supplied the marking tape.

Mascoma River Nominating Committee meeting
- Bill and Noel attended. A walk is planned for Feb 27th along the rail trail portion near Icehouse road in Enfield.
- At a later date, Alice would be happy to join such walks to identify plants
- Our commission needs to put forth a recommendation for the Nomination of the Mascoma River. The CC from Lebanon issues a letter of backing

Misc
- Bill submitted our annual report to the town
- Len attended a talk this past Saturday on the Greenlands ruling and house bill 222 which is relative to fill and dredge permits in wetlands. HB 222 proposes to define “indirect impacts” and would mandate the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) consider “indirect impacts” when granting, denying or conditionally approving any wetland dredge and fill permit. The DES would be rendered less capable of exerting authority over wetlands. This bill is currently being opposed and has been assigned to subcommittee
- Peg Merrins would like to reactivate the discussion on easements on the Town Forest. Bill to follow through with Peg. There might be some money available. Len is supportive of this.
- Erin Darrow joined us to review a permit request on Rogers Way. Aaron will walk the site tomorrow morning and will touch base with Erin afterwards to be sure the permit is submitted to Vicky at the town office. Erin will call the road agent to see if he has any concerns.

Minutes
- Minutes from December and January were reviewed. Bill moved to approve them both, Len seconded, all approved.

Elizabeth made a motion to adjourn- Bill seconded. All approved.

Next Meeting Monday March 1, 2010 7:00
To be held at the Senior Center