Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes August 4, 2009

The Conservation Commission held a meeting on August 4, 2009 in the Lakeville Town Office Building. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Orrall at 7:10 p.m. Members present were Bob Bouchard, Joseph Chamberlain, Emery Orrall and Martha Schroeder. Tara Martin, Conservation Agent and Jennifer Jewell, recording secretary were also present. Tom Mason and Randall Kenney were absent with prior notice.

Fee Schedule

It was noted that Tom Mason researched the matter of after the fact filing fees and found that there may be enough evidence to substantiate additional administrative costs. There was a review of the response letter from Town Counsel. There was discussion regarding the removal of the after the fact administrative fees from the fee schedule. Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Bouchard the Commission

VOTED: To remove the after the fact administrative fee and adopt the fee schedule as amended, effective immediately. Unanimous vote.

Policies

There was a review of the policies voted into effect at the last meeting. The Commission discussed feedback received from the Board of Selectmen. It was stated that each filing will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis and that determinations will be made in the interest of protecting vital resource areas. It was noted that the policies would have assisted homeowners and engineers to place septic systems, pools and outbuildings with the least amount of impact to on-site resource areas. Concern was voiced regarding the incremental infractions to the buffer zone that are generally requested by applicants and increased cost to applicants for multiple filings and alternatives analyses. Upon motion made by Member Bouchard and seconded by Member Chamberlain the Commission

VOTED:

To rescind two policies that were voted into effect on July 14, 2009: To require plans for new construction to reflect possible locations for outbuildings, reserve area and pools and to require that no subsurface disposal systems be located within the 100' buffer zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands. Unanimous vote.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Lakeville Conservation Commission will be held on August 11, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room at the Lakeville Town Office Building. Upon motion made by Member Bouchard and seconded by Member Chamberlain the Commission

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Unanimous vote.