

**Freedom Conservation Commission**  
**April 16, 2013**

**Members Present:** Jim McElroy, Bill Elliott, RA Oram, Mike Gaudette, Sue Hoople, Alice Custard, Rob Hatch

**Others Present:** John Roman, Janet Johnson, Susan Marks  
Minutes recorded by Dianne Park

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

**Minutes**

There was a motion by Bill, seconded by Jim, to approve the minutes from March 19, 2013 as written. All were in favor.

There was a motion by Mike, seconded by Bill, to revise the agenda. Rob disagreed and called for a point of order. After discussion and a show of hands (agree: Mike, Bill, Alice, Jim, Oram & Sue (6), against: Rob (1), the agenda was revised.

**ZBA Applications**

**Case #49-9-13 David K. & Denys D. Caplan** ó Applicant seeks special exceptions under Article 3 Sections 304.6.3.1 and 304.6.5 and variance under Article 3 Table 304.5: To construct a perched beach with associated tree and stump removal: repair existing walkway and porch with 75ø of Loon Lake.

The application was discussed and all board members voiced their opinion. There was a motion by Mike, seconded by Jim to list FCC concerns as:

1. Stump Removal: Suggest stump grinding
2. Suggest stairway repair have pervious aggregate
3. Removal of 2 trees: No arborist report was attached. If trees are removed then stumps must remain.

All were in favor.

**Case#33-01-13 Anthony W. Butler** ó Applicant seeks special exception under Article 3 Section 304.6.3.1 and variance under Article 3 Section 304.5 and Article 1 Section 103: To construct a retaining wall within the setback that requires erosion control measures.

The application was discussed and all board members voiced their opinion. There was a motion by Jim, seconded by Mike to list FCC concerns as:

1. Suggest installation of silt fence for erosion control
2. Installation of sand on uphill side of the wall

All were in favor.

**Case#23-7-13 Mark Goldsetin** ó Applicant seeks special exception under Article 3 Section 304.6.3.1 and variance under Article 7 Section 706.3: To replace existing house on same footprint with an increase in height within the setback that requires erosion control measures.

The application was discussed and all board members voiced their opinion. There was a motion by Mike, seconded by Jim stating the FCC is concerned with the possibility of extra bedrooms space may cause re-permitting of septic system. All were in favor.

### **Invoices**

Vista Print ó Janet Johnson for new Town Forest Brochures \$172.98.

There was a motion by Oram, seconded by Sue, to approve the invoice for Vista Print for \$172.98. All were in favor.

BH Keith for Proposed Conservation Easement Review, of Burt Property on Shawtown Rd, Freedom for \$200.00

Date: 03/07/13

Inv. # - 01-2995

There was a motion by Rob, seconded by Bill, to approve invoice #01-2995 for \$200.00 from Barry Keith for Proposed Conservation Easement Review of the Burt Property, to be paid from the Land Use Account. All were in favor.

### **Burt Property discussion (Tax Map#6, Lot 8)**

The Freedom Board of Selectmen want input from all FCC Members on this subject. Jim passed out a discussion sheet listing items pro, con and neutral. After a motion by Oram, seconded by Jim, 10 minutes were allowed for all board members to read Barry's Report. After discussion with all board members giving their opinion there was a motion by Rob, seconded by Mike stating the Burt Property is not viable at this time with the option to revisit in the future if necessary. All were in favor.

### **Review FCC Rules of Procedure**

It was decided that this subject would be taken up at a work session scheduled for April 30, 2013 at 7:00pm. An invitation will be extended to all FAC Members.

### **Elect Chairman, Vice Chairman and FCC/FAC Coordinator**

There was a motion by Bill, seconded by Sue, to nominate Oram, chairman and Jim Vice-Chairman. All were in favor. Both parties accepted the nomination.

There was a motion by Mike, seconded by Jim, to nominate Rob, FCC/FAC Coordinator. All were in favor. Rob accepted this nomination.

### **FAC Report – Rob Hatch**

BH Keith reported that there is a DES Grant available for wetlands restoration. Rob gave explained Barry's suggestions and Barry's suggestion of putting money towards this grant. There was a motion by Jim, seconded by Mike, pre-approve spending up to \$2,000.00 to put towards the DES Grant, if Freedom Grant is approved. All were in favor.

4/27/13 ó Counting partridge and turkeys in the town forest. Meet 5:30am at e Pequawket Gate.

6/1/13 ó Town Forest Clean-up and Work Day. Meet 8:00am at Pequawket Gate.  
Rob stated the FAC endorses bringing John over as an alternate.

**FAISC – Jim McElroy**

Herbicide and DASH treatment will be performed this year. Alice stated that GMCG (Green Mountain Conservation Commission) will be in contact with him to set up a future workshop and information session on this subject.

**Monthly Financial Reports**

A new account has been set up for Wildlife Management Programs and Applications

**Board Appointments**

John Roman would like to be on the FAC but there are no openings. He must wait until after the work session on reviewing the Rules of Procedure.

There was a motion by Oram, seconded by Rob, to adjourn the meeting.  
Meeting adjourned at 9:35pm.