ACTION SHEET REGULAR MEETING CONSERVATION COMMISSION PORTSMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE 1 JUNKINS AVENUE

Conference Room "A"

3:30 PM JUNE 10, 2009

Members Present: Chairman Steven Miller; Vice Chairman James Horrigan; Members,

Allison Tanner, Brian Wazlaw, Barbara McMillan, Mary Ann

Blanchard

Members Excused:

Also Present: Peter Britz, Environmental Planner/Sustainability Coordinator

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I. OLD BUSINESS

A. Approval of minutes – May 13, 2009

It was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the minutes as amended.

II. STATE WETLAND BUREAU PERMIT APPLICATIONS

Standard Dredge and Fill Application
Moebus Terrace
Stephen J. Little, owner
Assessor Map 207, Lot 25

The Commission voted unanimously (6-0) to recommend approve of the application to the State Wetlands Bureau. The Commission further recommended that the proposed float uses best management practices to minimize surface area on the mud flats.

III. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Update on PULA contract and possible support roles by Commissioners

Mr. Britz informed the Commission that the City Council had approved the funds for the Public Undeveloped Lands Assessment (PULA). He added that they are ¾ of the way through the process and should be completed soon.

B. Stewardship of Con Comm lands, strategic planning on moving forward

There was discussion concerning how the Commission should move forward with stewardship of conservation lands.

C. Update on ordinance changes

Mr. Britz informed the Commission that the draft ordinance would be available soon for review. He said that a summer schedule was being prepared for public hearings with the Planning Board.

D. Conservation Commission membership

Chairman Miller announced that Commissioner Mary Ann Blanchard's status had recently been upgraded to full member. He had no update as to the status of the unfilled Commission openings.

E. Possible roles former Con Comm members can serve to support Con Comm

Chairman Miller commented that some former Conservation Commission members have expressed interest in serving the Commission in a support capacity with various tasks. There was discussion as to what those tasks might be.

F. Update of Prime Wetland designation

Mr. Britz reported that this task should be completed in July and then sent onto the State for possible adoption.

G. Work on Portsmouth Con Comm projects list

The Commission continued to gather information for the projects list.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

The Commission discussed various DES correspondence letters received that pertained to past applications.

V. ADJOURNMENT

At 5:15 p.m., it was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Good

Conservation Commission Recording Secretary