Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2014

Members Present: Lester Garvin, Chair (LG)
                            Phil Lussier (PL)
                            Brian Clark (BC)
                            Janet Clark (JC)

Guest: David King (DK)

Members Absent: David Fessenden

The meeting is called to order at 7:41 pm.

1. Minutes of previous meeting were unavailable.

2. Discussion ensued about absence of scribe Brittany Martin and the likelihood of her arrival.

3. A brief discussion was held on the subject of the proposed gas pipeline. BC mentioned an NPR spot that had recently aired confirming a proposed start up date of 2017. LG said that the town of Montague had voted to prevent surveying for the pipeline on its property.

4. DK showed the board plans for an addition to his house. He said the building inspector was waiting for the board's approval. Discussion followed on whether the project was within the board's jurisdiction. According to the map supplied by DK the addition was outside the 100' buffer zone for a neighboring stream. The board concluded it was not within its jurisdiction and would consequently approve the building permit.

5. A request by Calvin Clark for an opinion from the board was a subject of discussion. He wanted to know if it was possible to remove some trees that threatened an old mill foundation on his property along the South River near Bullitt Rd. There was also an old chicken coop that also looked ready to fall into the river. CC wished to know what was required before finding someone to do the work. The feeling of the board was that the tree cutting posed no threat to the resource but that it would be nice to discuss the coop removal with whomever is contracted to do the work.

6. Building permit requests were discussed. A permit request for work by Double Edge Theater was responded to. The board requested a site plan and distances to the resource areas in the vicinity. The project on March Rd. presented by DK was approved.

7. JC moved to adjourn, PL seconded and all voted in favor.

Meeting adjourns at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,