

**Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes of June 11, 2014**

Members Present: Lester Garvin, Chair (LG)
Phil Lussier (PL)
David Fessenden (DF)
Janet Clark (JC)

Guests: Peter Wiitanen (PW)
Craig Purinton (CP)

Members Absent: Brian Clark

The meeting is called to order at 7:34 pm.

1. Board reviewed minutes from May 28. They were approved unanimously with no corrections.
2. PW came to explain plans for a new access to an upper field on his property. The land is in use for hay and corn. A lower section currently has access but the upper section is separated from it by periodic wet conditions. The preferred access to the upper field is on a road that crosses a neighbor's property. The road was constructed and is maintained by PW but he would like to realign it so that it is completely off the neighbor's land. The new configuration will require a culvert placement to accommodate a small intermittent drainage. The commission was of the opinion that the proposed work would be exempt under "normal maintenance of land in agricultural use." The only advice given was that the work be performed under as dry conditions as possible. PW agreed to ask the contractor to take all precautions to avoid movement of soil into the downstream area.
3. CP asked the commission for advice on a drainage problem at 171 Creamery Rd. An incompletely built drainage swale is causing flooding of a barn. The commission saw the proposed work as fitting under the agricultural exemption and told CP they didn't need to rule on the matter.
4. There were no online building permit applications needing review.
5. JC moved to adjourn, PL seconded and all voted in favor.

Meeting adjourns at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,