

Hollis Conservation Committee

October 18, 2007 meeting, 5:00, Salmon Falls Library

Attending: John Mattor, chair, Ren Wilkinson, secretary, Rita Anderson, Catherine Hewitt, Mary Weyer, Doris Luther

A. According to the Maine Conservation Commission law, we are supposed to maintain an index of all open areas. We realized we are not sure what "open area" means exactly, nor what form the index is supposed to take.

John is going to talk to people at SMRC and Ren will email MEACC for clarification.

- B. Nancy Knights has offered the town a gift of 11 acres off Rt 117, just north of Pleasant Hill Road. The selectmen have asked for our recommendation as to accepting the gift. (The downside of accepting such gifts is that they remove land from the tax rolls.)

John is going to talk to Nancy about the conditions of the gift (i.e., will there be limits on the use of the land) and will bring a list of criteria for the group to consider next meeting.

- C. The committee reaffirmed its support for the Indian Cellar project and the warrant article authorizing the town to use \$250,000 from the general fund to purchase the land.

We urge townspeople to vote yes on Warrant article #2 and state bond issue #4 (Land for Maine's Future), both of which will contribute to the acquisition of the Indian Cellar land downstream from the Salmon Falls bridge.

- D. Other items discussed: Webber Oil is putting in two new propane tanks and a new oil tank. The next planning board meeting is October 23.

- E. We need a mail slot at town hall in case anyone wants to write us. John will take care of that.

Next meeting will be November 1, 5:00 at Salmon Falls Library. Public is welcome.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ren Wilkinson, secretary