

SOUTHBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MON. JAN. 31, 2005
FIRE STATION MEETING ROOM
MEETING MINUTES

Present: John Leeds, presiding, Rhonda Russian, Lou Bartolini, Mark Possemato,
Dick Upjohn, Phil Bevins, Ann Leavitt

Meeting commenced at 7:00 pm

This was a special meeting called to meet with Laurie Bourdon of the Breakneck Hill Cow Fund to discuss the formation of a Master Plan for the future of the Orchard and to set up the ad hoc Stewardship sub-committee that would run the Orchard under the direction of the Conservation Commission. It was finally decided to recommend 8 citizens to the Selectmen for appointment to this Committee: Laurie Bourdon from the Cow Fund, Phil Bevins from the Conservation Commission, Freddie Gillespie from the Open Space Committee, Tim Kemper from the Recreation Commission (all recommended by their respective committees), and Ben Stevens, David Morgan, Joyce Greenleaf and Jim Gorss, at large. All these were present, as was Bonnie Phaneuf, representing the Selectmen. It was also agreed that the Conservation Commission member would be non-voting.

Laurie Bourdon also said and she briefly described 3 applications to draw up the Master Plan. Upon motion by Dick Upjohn, seconded by Mark Possemato, it was voted to take \$5000 from the Conservation fund and accept the application of the Conway School of Landscape Design. Their estimate was \$4600. They would begin work in early April and would expect to present their plan in mid-July.

In addition to the grant to the Breakneck Hill Cow Fund from the Grasslands program and the application to WHIP for the wooded part of the Orchard, the Cow Fund is applying for funds to apply to the wetland area of the Orchard.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.