

## NORTHFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

June 20, 2012

### MINUTES

Members present: Rich Bellerose, Dave Krause and Patti Howe.

**Minutes:** Dave Krause moved, seconded by Patti Howe to accept the minutes of 5-23-2012 as read. Motion passed.

**Land purchase:** Dave Krause and Rich Bellerose walked the property and reported that it is a nice lot with some timber, wildlife habitat and significant wetlands. The property owner asked the Town to absorb the cost of surveying except for \$1,000. This would raise the cost per acre to approximately \$900 which is still a reasonable price. Discussion followed relative to the pros and cons of purchasing the property. It abuts current town property, it would protect a wildlife corridor and trails could be extended from the current trail system. Before going ahead with an agreement members discussed the purchase with the Selectmen who encouraged the Commission to go ahead with the purchase. A public hearing will need to be held at a later date.

**Fencing:** Superior Fence gave an estimate of \$12-1300 for fencing at the Granite Street property. As the WRTA is still in the planning stage for the pedestrian bridge for the river trail, it makes sense to wait until their plans are finalized before spending money on a fence. Will get prices on a picnic table for the area.

#### **Correspondence:**

- NRCS meeting
- Environmental News

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eliza Conde, Secretary

*Minutes approved 07-18-2012*