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**Town of Milton
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES**

Saturday, January 3, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

Milton Municipal Building Community Room
43 Bombardier Road, Milton, VT 05468

CC Members Present: Judith Kinner, Chair; Bonnie Pease; and Dan Gaherty.

CC Members Absent: Laurie DiCesare and Jay Maurice

Staff Present: Jacob Hemmerick, Town Planner

Others: None

I. Call to Order, Attendance, Agenda Review

Kinner called the site visit to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. Public Input

None

III. Hike to Westford Bog on Bove Parcel Departing from Town Forest Parking Lot

The group took the Bove Connector Trail to the footbridge and then turned southeast onto an old logging road to the Milton/Westford Town line. They continued along a stream to Westford Bog to view the partially frozen, extensive wetland with large beaver dams. The party turned west over a rise to the southern side of Milton Swamp and then returned to the Bove Connector Trail via the Old Marquette Farm Road, much of which has been impacted by a very active beaver population.

The CC discussed the potential to realize a looped trail off of the Bove Connector trail (called for by the Management Plan, but which would remain entirely within the Town of Milton (instead of crossing into the Town of Westford) and which would have a connection to the proposed viewing platform proposed in the RTP application.

While observations from this visit will inform future management planning conversations, the CC thought it best to conduct another visit during mud season to review the terrain when wet prior to drawing any firm conclusions.

VIII. Adjourn.

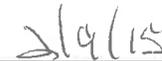
Unanimous consent to adjourn at 12:30 p.m.

Submitted by



Judith Kinner, Chair

Date



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