

Hampton Conservation Commission

January 16, 1978.

Our Chairman, Nelson Grant, Ednapearl Parr, Loren Hutchins, William Barklay, Neil MacPherson and Ruth Nutter met at the Library at eight o'clock. Mr. Barklay was welcomed as a new member, and upon Nelson's request, gave us a brief resume of his business life, which has been varied, including engineering and management of real estate and acquisition. He first came to Hampton in 1916, and was associated with G.E. for many years.

The Secretary read the minutes of the November 28th meeting, and the special meeting held on Dec. 12th, both were accepted as read. Going directly to new business, Nelson questioned as to the procedure of our voting at the informational meeting. Loren suggested that we listen to all comments, and at the opening of the meeting, it be noted that we will not make a recommendation, necessarily, at this time. Further drawings and calculations may be required, plus more explanations as to the topography, swales, and more adequate engineering information. Nelson read a letter from the Southeastern N. H. Regional Planning Committee, in which they stated a decision ought to be postponed until an accurate assessment of the situation is made.

It was discussed that water comes in at Great Boar's Head, during severe storms, or excessive high tides, and follows a course down Ocean Boulevard, onto Ashworth Avenue and Island Path, to Brown Avenue.

According to state law, the direction of run off water cannot be changed. We feel that we have no

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objection to the fill requested, from an ecological basis, as the land has already been damaged beyond repair. We do feel that there is insufficient information on the petition.

Ednaparl told us that in 1982, a Federal Government ruling will require all new buildings on low lands to go on pilings, even an add on offrooms.

Ruth told the members that Jan McClure had called her from the office of the Association for the Preservation of N. H. Forests, concerning the three acres of marshland that Gertrude Sherburne wishes to give us. Miss McClure said that the Association does not accept a gift of so small an acreage, and personally did not feel the Audubon Society could spare one of their few lawyers to do the necessary work in order to get the deed registered. Ednaparl offered to speak with Edith Holland about it, and Ruth will get a copy of the deed to Ednaparl.

Our next meeting will be held on February 27th.

This meeting was adjourned at ten O' clock.

Submitted by

Ruth M. Nutter, Secretary.