

August 7, 2012 Minutes of a Public Meeting with the Board of Selectmen

Rick Griffin, Chairman
Richard Nichols, Selectmen
Michael Peirce, Selectmen
Ben Moore, Selectmen
Phil Bean, Selectmen
Frederick Welch, Town Manager
Mark Gearreald, Esq.
Wanda Robertson, Esq.
Ellen Goethel
David Vaile

Batchelder Conservation Easements

David Vaile introduced the subject and explained that two out of 3 parcels owned by the Batchelders, lot 35-11 and lot 37-8. Exeter Trust owns lot 37-7.

The Town's contribution \$250,000, and the Conservation Commission contribution \$109,000. A higher amount was contributed by the Federal Government under the Farmland Program. Also contributing are the State of NH Moose Plate Fund, private donations and gifts.

David Vaile brought two sets of documents. The conservation easement deeds for the farmland and the closing statement. Several pages describe the geographic locations, maps showing conditions on the ground and photographs of the property to document the condition and monitor the easement.

Ben Moore pointed out that parcel 34-1 is not included in these documents.

David Vaile said that there is an encroachment by an abutter on Heritage Drive and the Batchelders will convey a small sliver of land to them. This will go to the Planning Board in the next 2 weeks.

Moore – made a motion to execute the documents and a motion to authorize the Manager to initial every document.

Griffin – seconded the motion.

All in favor – unanimous.