

MEETING MINUTES

ALBANY COMMON LAND GOVERNANCE BOARD

Monday, May 24th, 5:00 pm.

Members present: Jack Rose, Rob Nadler, Harry Richardson and Cort Hansen.

Rob acting as Vice Chairman, called the meeting to order at 5:12 pm. Harry moved to accept the minutes of the May 12th meeting. The motion was seconded and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Rob then updated the Board regarding the conversation that he had with Gregg Caporossi of TPL in regards to the Kennett property title. Because of title questions with the property, the legal council for TPL recommended that a land survey be done. Bayard Kennett had not been very encouraging on this problem in conversation with Gregg. Gregg suggested that we wait and allow for some time to pass before he renews a discussion regarding a land survey on the property. He noted in his conversation with Rob that if LCHIP funding was going to be used toward purchase of the property a survey would then be required. So, it is likely that a survey if not done immediately, would be required in the long term. Rob brought up his recollection that the Conservation Fund may have already done a land survey and Gregg will be contacting David Houghton from the CF. Gregg is working on updating the final Purchase and Sales Agreement and he expects to be modifying Albany's agreement to reflect new dates agreed upon by Kennett Corporation and TPL.

The board then discussed what to work on next; starting with what questions should the Board present Gregg. In particular regarding grant organizations; who and when, should the LGB be making contact or applications with. Rob will draft an e-mail to Gregg and copy Board members.

Harry brought up a conversation that he had had with Irene Garvey, a contractor for TPL performing a hazard waste survey on the Kennett property. Cort also had a conversation with Garvey and both he and Harry had received a survey questionnaire via e-mail from her. Cort will forward survey copies to Rob and Jack.

Rob brought up the issue of turning the Land Governance Board over to a conservation commission. The Board needs to evaluate the pros' and cons' of being a Conservation Commission and to find out why Randolph went the route of a LGB instead of a conservation commission. Rob said that he would find out the name of the contact person from Randolph. Cort said he would review the NH Conservation Commission planning booklet provided by the state and report back to the Board.

On the topic of Steve Knox's resignation from the Board at the 5/12 meeting and not hearing any information otherwise from Steve, the Board recognized that his resignation stands. His replacement as Planning Board representative will come pending further action from the Planning Board which Steve chairs. As a result of Steve's resignation, Harry moved that Rob be promoted from vice-chair to chairman, Jack seconded and the Rob was approved unanimously. The vacant vice-chair position was then considered. Jack moved that Harry be promoted to vice-chair, Rob seconded and the Harry was approved unanimously.

After discussion and agreement the next scheduled meeting was set again for the fourth Monday of the June 6/28/10 at 5 pm.

Rob motioned to adjourn the meeting, Jack seconded and the meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Cort Hansen,
Board Secretary