DURHAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION Minutes of Special Meeting

July 31, 2006

Present: Dwight Baldwin, Cynthia Belowski, Jim Hellen, Duane Hyde, George Thomas, Peter Smith and Richard Ozenich

Excused absence: Beryl Harper

The Durham Conservation Commission (DCC) met for approximately 15 minutes to discuss the increased cost of the conservation easement of the Emery Farm Property to the Town. Because the appraised value of the property came in at a lower figure than was the anticipated at the time that the DCC met on July 13, 2006, the cost of the easement to the Town will be \$425,000 rather than the maximum of \$415,000 that was approved by the DCC. In addition, the land that will be protected under the conservation easement is actually 48.12 acres rather than the "approximately 52 acres" as stipulated in the motion passed by the DCC.

Two motions were made and passed unanimously:

1. Motion 1 was made to reconsider the approved motion of the DCC passed at its July 13, 2006 meeting. This motion was passed unanimously.

2. Motion 2 stated that the portion of the DCC recommendation to Council made on July 13, 2006 that reads "1. Provide funds in the amount up to \$415,000 toward an approximately 52 acre conservation easement on the Emory Farm Property (Tax Map 11, Lot 4) and that the Town accept an executory interest in the Conservation easement: " be changed to read: "1. Provide funds in the amount of \$425,000 toward a 48.12 acre conservation easement on the Emory Farm Property (Tax Map 11, Lot 4) and that the Town accept an executory interest in the Conservation easement on the Emory Farm Property (Tax Map 11, Lot 4) and that the Town accept an executory interest in the Conservation 2 passed unanimously.

Submitted:

Dwight Baldwin