

## DERRY Conservation Commission 14 Manning St Derry, NH 03038

The regular monthly meeting of the Derry Conservation Commission was held on 22 June 2009 commencing at 7:30PM, in the third floor meeting room of the Derry Municipal Center, with M. Ives in the Chair and J. Arruda, R. Buzzanga, P. Dionne, P. Doolittle, B. Ferrante, P. Kinsella, E. Sarcione and D. Wiley and N. Weatherbee, Council Rep.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as read. Motion by P. Dionne and seconded by B. Ferrante. Vote was 7-0.

## **CHAIRS REPORT**

1. The Commission discussed an offer by owner David DelPozzo concerning his property at Tax Map 3 Lot 29, tax lot28 and Tax Lot 27 at 22 Goodhue Road. Mr. DelPozzo has a 5 acre lot at 22 Goodhue Road and a small former septic system lot across the street. He is offering 2 acres of the 5 acre lot and the small former septic system lot across the street to the commission. The Chair viewed the site and encourages the other commission members to view the site before the next meeting. The land is near the Windham Conservation Land. The 2 acre portion is a very steep hill and the septic system lot is in front of a house and is separated by the driveway to the house.

2.Letters from DES. The Babsal Co. Alteration of terrain, at Reflection Ridge got a 5yr extension filed with the DES. Mr. Alan Cote, Town of Derry Public Works. A culvert under Windham Road has certain criteria that have to be met.

Easements at Stoneleigh Drive and Warner Hill, Matteuzzi property off Chester Road need to be monitored. This has to be done once a year. These will be done by P. Dionne, D. Wiley and E. Sarcione and B. Ferrante.

- 3. Southern N H Planning had its final meeting and Mr. George Sioras made a copy of the maps. The commission was asked by the SNHPC to calculate monies spent from the town and the DCC on saving property. The Chair provided some data and referred Rachel Kelly to Mark Fleischer in finance. CTAP. Mr. Wiley asked if the report had been corrected. We were reminded by Peg that it would be all set by July 7<sup>th</sup> 2009.
- 4. Beaver Dam at The East Derry Memorial School was walked by the Chair, Ms. Ives. She also took photos of the dam as it is rather large. There are several boats and docks on the water. Ms. Ives also saw some old signage for a nature trail from Troop 402 made by Darrell Garland in 1992. Ms. Ives said the signs were in really good shape for their age. Ms. Ives spoke with Mrs. Reagan who has concerns about her in ground pool. The water from the beaver pond was quite high. Ms. Ives talked for some time with Mrs. Regan and told her that her recommendation to the school superintendent's office is that the dam not be allowed to get any higher. Mrs. Regan was satisfied and understood about the dam and her neighbors who use the pond with their boats and docks.
- 5. The commission voted to reimburse E. Sarcione \$10.85 for note books. 7-0 vote

**SITE PLAN REVIEW**: Mr. and Mrs. Jean-Piere and Rosiola Bonenfant, Tax Map 55 Lot 48:81 Chester Road. Mr. Craig Bailey is the engineer.

The Commission reviewed the plan to raze the current structures replacing them with a single house. A variance was granted by the Derry Zoning Board for a setback from the front entrance on Chester Road. Mr. Bonenfant received a letter from The Shoreland Protection Program as the owner had requested permission to build within the 50 foot set back from the Lake as required by the Shoreland Protection Act, (a copy to DCC), stating that a variance is required and that the application has a 75 day review period from June 2, 2009. Although the new current owner plans no porch or deck, such a plan in the future would really crowd the setback. The Commission wants clarity on the revised SPA and wishes to make recommendations to the SPP. A site walk has been scheduled for Saturday, June 27 at 8am. The Chair advised the owner that the correct name of the creek abutting his property is Cat-O-Brook not Abbott Creek.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Derry Rail Trail Update: Mr. Clint Havens of Public Works explained to us how the work would be done on The Rail Trail and weather permitting the construction being done by Pichette Construction Company and Hebert & Associates should only take about four weeks.

## **UPDATES ON CONSERVATION LAND**

Broadview Farms. We need to do some research on the former owners so that we may put up a plaque in their honor. That was part of the Simons' request when the land was purchased

Conservation Land at Cross Road. Last Saturday several members of The Conservation Commission worked on a breached dam for some time. They brought in straw bales, logs, rocks etc. and had some good luck of slowing down the water that is almost all gone. The Dam is on Conservation land and we are going to have a Ms. Emily Lucas take a look at it and also send a letter that tells the owner that the dam is on our conservation land. A vote was taken and and it was unanimous that the letter be sent. 7-0

The Eagle Scout Bridge that was washed away from the force of the water from the breeched dam was brought back and set in a different place but will do the job quite nicely. The bridge was constructed by Troop 405 and Richard Hewson, also of troop 405.

JACKMAN ROAD Conservation Land: The Chair reviewed the Wetlands complaint addressed to Eban Lewis requesting that Mr. Sheehan contact the Wetlands Bureau about drainage along the road.

Cole Marsh Conservation Land: There was a lot of discussion about all the damage that was done in the Ice Storm of last winter. It was brought to our attention that money from our Forestry Account could be used to help pay for some of the debris removal. There is way too much for us to do it. The Chair requested DPW to obtain a quote for tree debris removal from Valley Road in to the campsite area. Paul Dionne discussed talking with Mr. Charles Marino, a forester, for an updated forestry management plan on all our forested properties including Cole Marsh. Mr. R Buzzanga would like DPW to get some more bids. We have a tight time line: FEMA money is viable through October, the House Bill amendment on dam height is effective 60 days after signing, best time to do the dam is dry weather usually August. So we have to move quickly on this, as was said, it's a very narrow window of time.

Webber Memorial Forest: When coming in from Drew Road and walking down to just this side of the Pathways Bridge up on the left is a mess of broken glass, trees and bottles. Ms. Ives had been told by 3 neighbors of the Forest that they were tired of picking up the bottles and the mess in

general. One neighbor told her that older teens would go out there and shoot at anything on four legs. They even shoot turtles. The trees have bullet holes in them and some of the trees are down because they were shot down. This is very disturbing as it is illegal to shoot and kill the wildlife. Ms. Ives went to the Derry Police and is requesting follow-up. She encouraged the neighbors to call the police when hearing the shooting. The beaver dam at the end of the prime wetland closest to Drew Road was breached which she will report to Bob Mackey Code Enforcement Officer.

<u>OTHER BUSINESS</u> Ms. Bev. Ferrante asked about the easement on the Matteuzzi farm and was told by the Vice Chair that the Easement is in the Deed and will remain conservation land forever.

We also discussed some land on Featherbed Lane that was up for public auction. It was decided we did not want it as it does not meet our criteria.

Hannah Martin's Land was also discussed as we have to clean up the brush and the stone walls. Mr. P. Ferdinando will take a look at this and he will talk with Mr. Dionne as to how this work should be accomplished to rid the walls of poison ivy. Mr. Ferdinando is a licensed pesticide applicator.

P. Kinsella talked to us about the gardens at Young Road and how well everything was going and even the raised garden was being used. That's so great to hear, thanks Peg.

On a unanimous vote we finally adjourned at 9:45pm

Ellie Sarcione, Secretary DCC