

Derry Conservation Commission
14 Manning St.
Derry NH 03038

Minutes of Public Meeting May 24, 2010

On May 24 at 7:30 the Derry Conservation Commission met in the NH Room of the Derry Municipal Center. The following members were present: Jim Arruda, Beverly Ferrante, Margaret Ives, Dennis Wiley, Ric Buzzanga, Marianne Page, Neil Wetherbee, Paul Doolittle, and alternate Richard Tripp. Marianne Page sat for Paul Dionne.

Nominations for the office of secretary were opened. Richard Tripp nominated by Beverly Ferrante, second by Paul Doolittle. None abstained, all others approved.

A motion was made by Beverly Ferrante, seconded by Ric Buzzanga to accept the minutes of May 10, 2010. None abstained, all others approved.

Chair's Report:

Southeast Land Trust – the Shepard Park boundary lines recorded with the town needs to be surveyed and marked. Motion made by Dennis Wiley to secure three (3) bids for surveying of property and marking of boundaries, second by Paul Doolittle. None abstained, all others approved. Dennis will coordinate this effort.

Southeast Land Trust – has its annual meeting June fifth. They recommend use of the AMC guide on Trail Building and Maintenance.

Rockingham County Conservation District – A motion made by Beverly Ferrante to authorize \$1496.50 for a grant to control invasive, second by Ric Buzzanga. None abstained, all others approved.

DES

- Dock on North Shore road (DES permission eight (8) years ago
- Japanese knotweed at public boat ramp on Beaver Lake

New Hampshire Tree Farm Workshop

Boy Scout Troop 402 – replace bridge on Cole March Pond and clean up Liberty Tree in MacGregor Park

Town & City – placed on file

New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commission – Society for Protection of New Hampshire Forests

Permeable Pavement Concerns for Proposed Bike Path – Mark L'Heureux of Derry Public Works spoke on the town's concerns over the proposed paving of 1.5 miles (Bowers Road to Windham Road) of bike path. Primary concerns are maintenance required, short life cycle, and repair/replacement costs. Cost of paving for the first segment last year was ~\$110K. Mark estimates it would be twice that (~\$220K) for the suggested paving of the bike path with permeable paving. Eric Whitney (Rail Trail Chairperson) mentioned UNH might be able to provide further information on permeable pavement as they have a test parking lot.

Site Reviews:

191 Rockingham Road – plans are for a ¾ acre site with the intended use of an automobile shop (Tony LaRosa) and are currently at technical review board. Current building setback from wetland is 68+ feet (75 feet required for wetland up to an acre). Site walk set for June 1st at 5 PM.

Other Business:

Tipsy Piper Easement – Neil Wetherbee spoke on seeking legal opinion as to whether easement can be broken as it originated with the state. Wal-Mart needs access to ~two acres of the easement for the proposed store.

Judy Brooks – memo on turtle crossings. Discussion on obtaining turtle crossing signs for Ryan's Hill and Hannaford store.

Ed Robinson – use of beaver deceiver pipes at Cole Marsh. Site walk sometime during the first week of June.

Broadview Farm – Discussion on obtaining parking signs. Motion made by Jim Arruda to allocate \$500 for signs (Sunrise to sunset, exceptions by permit only – DCC), second by Richard Tripp. All approved.

Easement Monitoring – Scheduled are: Shepard June 19 (meet at upper village parking lot), Cole Marsh July 17, and Doolittle August 14. Others requiring monitoring are Rowenfare Farm, Matteuzzi, Stoneleigh Drive and Grinnel properties.

Nature walks – Broadview Farm with twelve people in attendance.

Motion to adjourn by Beverly Ferrante, second by Marianne Page. All approved, adjourn at approximately 8:30 PM.