

Derry Conservation Commission
14 Manning St.
Derry NH 03038

Minutes of Public Meeting March 14, 2011

On March 14 at 7:30 the Derry Conservation Commission met in the NH Room of the Derry Municipal Center. The following members were present: Ric Buzzanga, Paul Dionne, Margaret Ives, Peg Kinsella, Richard Tripp, Dennis Wiley, and Neil Wetherbee. Peg Kinsella sat for Beverly Ferrante and Richard Tripp sat for Jim Arruda.

A motion was made by Paul Dionne, seconded by Ric Buzzanga to accept the corrected minutes of February 14, 2011. Peg Kinsella and Dennis Wiley abstained, all others approved, motion carried.

Chair's Report:

Zoning amendment – forwarded to George Sioras.

DES:

Announcement of workshops – placed on file.

Special Places – April 9 at Kearsarge Regional High School, Sutton, New Hampshire. Peg Kinsella, Margie Ives, Dennis Wiley, and Paul Dionne will be attending. Motion by Dennis Wiley, second by Paul Dionne, to appropriate \$240 from administrative account for registration fees. All approved, none abstained or opposed, motion carried.

Celebration at Audubon Wildlife Sanctuary – April 2nd with tours of the sanctuary.

Wal-Mart – letter from Kevin O'Shea concerning definition of relationship between DCC and DES pertaining to the future acquisition of lands or easements using Wal-Mart's \$100,000 contribution to the land conservation fund. He is asking the chair sign a letter addressed to Michael Wall, assistant commissioner of DES, agreeing with conditions outlined in the letter. Comments include Elizabeth Robidoux, Planning Board Clerk, to register deed and page number in Rockingham County rather than Merrimack County are included in the amendment and Marge reported Steve Clark, town legal counsel, is fine with the language in the amendment and the letter. Margie noted that in the second paragraph of the amendment it states Wal-Mart has the right to construct, maintain, use, replace proposed driveways, walkways, and related improvements within the existing easement without limitations. This does not match what was in the original proposal as it does not limit it to the 0.58 acres in the site plan. The letter also asks the DCC respond as to how other conditions stipulated will be met. Margie was asked to get with Steve Clark to go over recommended clarifications before sending letter.

Site Reviews:

None.

Conservation Activity:

Correspondence from Lennie Lord requesting we do cutting at Shepherd either May 14 or 21st. Date selected was May 14 at 9 AM. Lennie also noted that invasive control must continue for three years. Means of invasive control would be cuttings and then successive plantings.

Land Steward Meeting – 9 AM on March 26th at Broadview Farm. Phil Auger reported it is extremely muddy and proposed the date be pushed off. It was decided to keep the 26th and suggest everyone wear boots. Should it rain, or conditions deteriorate, the date would be changed.

Arthur Caras – suggested we educate public by showing photos and history of conservation parcels at the beginning of each meeting. Margie, Paul, and Neil will meet with Trent Spiner, Derry Public TV, about this idea on March 25 at 11 AM. All are invited to attend. It was also suggested that those attending walks this summer to bring cameras and video recorder to gather material for this use.

Go Green and Conservation Commission to host several walks this summer. All will last approximately two hours. Walks scheduled include: Shepherd 4/16, Broadview Farm 5/21, Cole Marsh 6/18, Doolittle 7/16, Weber Forest 8/20, and Lowe 9/17. Earth day (April 22) activities planned are two week long cleanups along the roads on 4/16-22 and 10/1-8.

Broadview Gardens – we need to let people who are interested in garden plots what is available. Peg said there would be 41 plots.

Other Business:

Town Council & Planning Board – public meetings 3/15-16 to address the amendment to the easement at Ashleigh Lane (Wal-Mart).

Non-Public Meeting:

Motion by Paul Dionne, seconded by Ric Buzzanga, to go into non-public meeting pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3 (d). Members voting aye: Ric Buzzanga, Paul Dionne, Margaret Ives, Peg Kinsella, Richard Tripp, and Dennis Wiley. Members voting nay: none. Members abstaining: none. Motion carried. Motion to invite Town Council representative Neil Wetherbee by Paul Dionne, seconded by Ric Buzzanga. Members voting nay: none. Members abstaining: none. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

Motion by Richard Tripp, second by Paul Dionne, to adjourn. None abstained, all others approved, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 PM.