

Derry Conservation Commission
14 Manning St.
Derry NH 03038

Minutes of Public Meeting April 11, 2011

On April 11 at 6:30 the Derry Conservation Commission met in the NH Room of the Derry Municipal Center. The following members were present: Ric Buzzanga, Margaret Ives, Peg Kinsella, Dennis Wiley, Jim Arruda, Beverly Ferrante, Paul Dionne, Paul Doolittle, and Neil Wetherbee.

Land Steward's Meeting:

At the land steward discussion, the DCC reviewed two kinds of monitoring reports, one for observations and one for marking boundaries and observing if easement or deed requirements are being met. Volunteers asked questions pertaining to how often to do reports and where they could obtain information. Their information requests go through the DCC, ie for GIS maps, easement restrictions, acreage, etc. Elizabeth Robidoux in planning has summarized all pertinent information on protected lands. This is still in draft but is a quick reference for answers on parcel map/sheet no., restrictions, acreage, etc. It is expected that a formal report will be done once a year. Observation reports can be done any time they are walking the property. We would like reports every six months. We received a request for another session on understanding the compass.

A motion was made by Paul Dionne, seconded by Ric Buzzanga to accept the corrected minutes of March 28, 2011. Beverly Ferrante abstained, all others approved, motion carried.

Election of Officers:

Chair – Paul Dionne nominated Margie Ives, second by Beverly Ferrante. Margie Ives abstained, all others approved, motion carried.

Vice-Chair – Beverly Ferrante nominated Paul Dionne, second by Paul Doolittle. Paul Dionne abstained, abstained, all others approved, motion carried.

Treasurer – Paul Dionne nominated Beverly Ferrante, second by Paul Doolittle. Beverly Ferrante abstained, abstained, all others approved, motion carried.

Secretary – Paul Dionne made a motion to appoint Richard Tripp as acting secretary, second by Ric Buzzanga. No abstentions, all others approved, motion carried.

Chair's Report:

Unused Drug Drop off – on April 30 there will be a drop off for old and unused drugs at Hood Common Plaza. Jim Arruda will contact CATS to determine if drugs can also be dropped off at the police station and to check on disposal of medicines with Craig Durrett

Town Property – Margie Ives received a report of a tree on town property leaning on an abutter's barn. Paul Doolittle and Margie will visit and give report.

Planning Board – will meet on April 20 to discuss the Wal-Mart easement.

Granite State Tree Farmer – received pamphlet, placed on file.

South East Land Trust (SELT) – received pamphlet to celebrate Earth Day on April 22 at 7 PM. Celebration will be held at music hall in Portsmouth.

Drinking Water Protection – There is a conference about drinking water protection in Concord etc.

DES:

Boomer Wolf – alteration of terrain on April 12-17 at Manchester Road.

Conservation Activity:

Broadview Farm – 34 of 41 garden plots are reserved.

Weber – Dennis Wiley reported the beavers are causing water to backup near the new bridge on Drew Road. Dennis went with Alan Cote to assess the problem. Per Lt. Bob Ryan (Fish and Game) RSA210:9 allows the conservation commission to permit removal of sections of the dam to incrementally lower the water level. It was suggested this be an agenda item for the next meeting so we can have a site walk.

Non-Public Meeting:

Motion by Paul Dionne, seconded by Beverly Ferrante, to go into non-public meeting pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3 (d). Members voting aye: Ric Buzzanga, Margaret Ives, Dennis Wiley, Paul Dionne, Paul Doolittle, Beverly Ferrante, and Jim Arruda. Members voting nay: none. Members abstaining: none. Motion carried. Paul Doolittle excused himself.

Motion to seal the minutes of the non-public meeting by Paul Dionne, second by Ric Buzzanga. None abstained, all others approved, motion carried.

Adjournment:

Motion by Paul Dionne, second by Ric Buzzanga, to adjourn. None abstained, all others approved, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.