



Derry Conservation Commission
14 Manning St.
Derry NH 03038

Minutes of Public Meeting October 24, 2011.

On October 24, 2011 at 7:30 pm, the Derry Conservation Commission met in the 3rd floor meeting room of the Derry Municipal Center.

The following members were present: Ric Buzzanga, James Degnan, Paul Doolittle, Beverly Ferrante, Margaret Ives Chair, Dennis Wiley, and Neil Wetherbee, Council Liaison. Peg Kinsella sat in for Jim Arruda and Marianne Page sat in for Paul Dionne.

Acceptance of minutes:

To accept the minutes of October 10, 2011. Motion to accept as written made by Peg Kinsella. Seconded by Paul Doolittle. All others vote aye except Ric Buzzanga, Marianne Page and Dennis Wiley abstain. Motion Carried.

Site Reviews: None. Keith Coviello needs more time to work on the site plans from the walks done last Saturday.

Chair's Report and Correspondence:

The LWCF metal signs ordered from the State Dept of Resources and Economic Development have been received. They are for conservation lands partially funded with LWCF Grants. The signs cost \$34.75 to be paid from the Administrative Account. Ric Buzzanga made motion. Beverly Ferrante seconded. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Volunteers are needed to be post the signs at Corneliusen, Doolittle, Cole Marsh and Weber.

NH Conservation Commission Annual Meeting, November 5th, 2011. Jim Degnan, Dennis Wiley and Margaret Ives will attend. Total cost is \$45 a person (total of \$135 for 3 people to attend). Chair will check to see if there is a charge for State Board members who attend. Paul and Margie are on the board.

Motion made by Paul Doolittle. Seconded by Beverly Ferrante to authorize the expenditure of \$135.00 from the Administrative Account if necessary. All in Favor. Motion carried.

Proposed changes in Bylaws by the Commission. Correspondence from Carol Andrews, President of the NH Association of Conservation Commission.

The proposed changes are:

1. Term limits- to allow Directors to serve 3 consecutive, 3 year terms with a one year break.
2. To allow Non-Conservation Commission Members to serve on the Board of Directors. To allow 2 out of the 9 board members to be Non-Conservation Commission Members as long as they have demonstrated an interest in the study/protection of Natural Resources in NH.

Motion made to accept the change in bylaws by Marianne Page. Seconded by Paul Doolittle. All in Favor. Motion carried. One DCC member was needed to cast a ballot on behalf of the commission. Paul Doolittle made motion for Jim Degnan to cast the ballot. Seconded by Ric Buzzanga. All in favor. Motion carried.

T- Shirts follow up:

Three quotes have been obtained. All vendor quotes are for US made 100 percent cotton shirts

1. The first quote is from Whirlwind. \$800 for 100 t-shirts (50 for us and 50 for another group)
2. Leftees - \$612. For 50 shirts
3. Jim Degnan obtained a quote for a qty. (50 shirts only) from a Derry based Company on Hunter Dr. The quote is for \$450 (\$9 per shirt). Jim will obtain another quote from the same vendor for 100 shirts.

Beverly Ferrante suggested making a courtesy call to the person that gave the original quote to see if they would match the lowest quote obtained.

DES Correspondence:

4 Adams Shore Rd. – Complaint of possible violation. Owner needs to respond to DES.

4 Grandview Ave. - Wetlands permit has been issued. Approval is subject to conditions. One of them is that the work is to be done during the lake draw down. The draw down possibility is questionable at this point due to high water at Beaver Lake. Chair will check with Public Works on the draw down date if any.

Ashleigh Dr. – Through Cormier Construction. A wetlands permit was issued with a dredge & fill that affected a scrub, shrub wetland. (this was for a development at the end of a long drive way). The driveway would cross the wetland and would be used to get to the development). Because of the type of wetland, DCC recommended hiring a forester. Charlie Moreno, a forester was hired to walk the site. Paul Dionne reviewed what happened on the site. Charlie has a very good report on this which now becomes part of the DES file. DES Wetlands Bureau & DCC will be notified in writing prior to commencement and completion of the work.

109 Rockingham Rd. - Watts Auto Salvage. DES letter of deficiency. DES is awaiting Alteration of Terrain Application.

20 Emerald Dr. - Complaint. The complaint is an allegation of fill in jurisdictional wetlands without a permit. DES needs more information.

Cella Dr. - Gennaro Estates. Des letter of compliance has been received.

Hampstead Road Subdivision – Alteration of Terrain Permit was issued. Letter of compliance received.

Follow up: 20 Lawrence Road

Docket # 07-09. This is a proposed (3) lot subdivision. This dates back to 2006. Impact of the homes to the wetlands. DCC appealed in 2007. Further appeal is with the Wetlands Council. Hugh Lee is representing DCC. He is requesting that DCC members be present at a future meeting on December 13, 2011 at 1:00 pm in Concord on Hazen Drive.

This area of Lawrence Road is flooded right now. Neil Wetherbee suggested taking pictures of the flooding to take along to the December meeting.

Dredge & Fill:

5 Westview Dr. - Owners are John & Edward Cooper. Minimum Expedited Wetland Permit. The wetland impact is 2802 square feet to construct a driveway on the parcel. Margie Ives and Jim Degnan will view the area.

Follow up Dredge & Fill Scobie Pond Rd:

MR Wood Recycling. DES issued a Dredge & Fill permit. Work has been done. DCC never received a notice. Margaret Ives will meet with Marianne Tilton at Hazen Dr. on November 2, 2011 at 1:00pm (tentative) to find out why it was approved. Why DCC was not given notice and why it was not cumulative. The letter stated that the 2004 regulations are in place and pertain. Not the 1999 regulations. Chair will check on this date before attending.

Proposed Zoning Amendment:

The proposed Zoning Amendment changes that were sent to the Planning Board by DCC are still pending. Planning Board will hold workshops to review the Commission's changes. They are waiting for wetlands bills to work their way through the legislative process before scheduling these workshops.

Other:

Rockingham County Conservation District

In order to meet state requirements, the Rockingham County Conservation District would like Derry Town Clerk Denise Neale to certify that Derry Conservation Commission will accept funds and enter into contract with NH Dept. of Agriculture, Markets & Food Division and that Margaret Ives, Commission Chair has been appointed to that office. That she presently occupies the office indicated allowing her to execute any documents for this contract and accept funds.

Motion made by Paul Doolittle and seconded by Beverly Ferrante for Margaret Ives to be allowed to operate in the Commission's name to accept any funds and execute any necessary documents pertaining to the contract. All were in favor Motion carried.

Update on Conservation Activities:

Go Green - Town wide cleanup was successful but there was not as much participation as the Spring Cleanup.

BF Gardens: Gardeners still need to take down fences and do cleanup.

Tent Platforms – The platforms are in need of repair. Three boy scouts troops are using the area. One of the troops does not use the platforms. That troop will discuss the need for the platforms with the other 2 troops.

Paula Frank contacted Margaret Ives over the weekend. Jenny Dickey Brook was running heavily this past Sunday. Some areas were flooding. Abutters called Police and Fire Departments. Dennis Wiley viewed the area. He observed that one foot of the beaver dam had been removed and the water level had dropped. There was no beaver activity. After discussion, chair would like letters sent to immediate abutters to inform them of the destruction of the beaver dam to make them aware and to call to report any concerns of high water.

The Non-Public session scheduled was waived.

Motion to adjourn made by Marianne Page. Seconded by Beverly Ferrante. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Recording Clerk/ Ruth Robinson