

Derry Conservation Commission 14 Manning St. Derry NH 03038

Minutes of Public Meeting February 27, 2012

On February 27, 2012 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: James Degnan, Paul Dionne, Paul Doolittle, Beverly Ferrante, Margaret Ives, Chair, Richard Tripp and Dennis Wiley. Jim Arruda and Ric Buzzanga were absent. Peg Kinsella sat for Jim Arruda and Marianne Page sat for Ric Buzzanga.

Acceptance of Minutes:

Paul Dionne made a motion to accept the minutes of February 13, 2012. Dennis Wiley seconded the motion. Beverly Ferrante and Peg Kinsella abstained. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

Chair's Report, Correspondence, Bills:

DES:

A letter has been received from DES pertaining to the Adams Pond Dredge & Fill, Jean Gagnon – There are stipulations that must be adhered to. Chair will give a copy of the DES letter to the Planning Board for their next meeting.

7 Karen Ave. – DES letter pertaining to 7 Karen Ave. DES will be returning the package because the minimum elements were not enclosed.

T-shirts – The order consists of 17 medium, 17 large and 16 extra-large shirts. Paul Dionne made a motion to pay Jammin Sportswear \$450.00 from the Administrative Account. Paul Doolittle seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Summer Intern - Ian Gaudreau would like to again be the summer intern for the DCC. He helped out a lot with the land steward program in 2011. DCC had paid him a \$500.00 stipend. After discussion, Dennis Wiley made a motion to offer Ian Gaudreau the Summer Intern Position for 2012, and to pay him

a stipend of \$500.00 which will be paid from the Administrative Account. Marianne Page seconded the motion. All others were in favor. The motion carried.

Margie Ives and Paul Dionne have met with Brain Hart and Phil Auger. Phil has retired from UNH Cooperative Extension and has now offered his part time services to the South East Land Trust, as an Environmental Consultant. They discussed the things that South East Land Trust is doing with the Town of Brentwood using SELT in a variety of ways. The Chair put out the idea of a similar contract between DCC and SELT to the DCC members. It would be a one year contract with SELT by written mutual agreement and could be used for things such as conducting conservation easement monitoring, baseline documentation reports, looking at DCC conservation project files and set them up so that they can be easily used and to support DCC efforts to conserve additional properties. There would be a fee for this contract. The trust would also carry a million dollars in general liability insurance. If DCC were to enter into a contract like this, the Derry Finance Department would need to look over the insurance liability clause. Members are asked to think about this contract, it will be discussed along with a fee to be paid to Phil Auger for his services at the next meeting. Chair will present the Brentwood draft to the Finance department for their review.

Site Review:

Plaza One Building, 37 Crystal Ave, parcel # 32025. The owner is Forest Ave. Properties LLC. Todd Connor from Long Beach Development Associates presented the plan. DCC previously reviewed a plan and did a site walk on this property in October 2011. The size of the property is 3 plus acres. The parking spaces no longer meet town requirements (the number of parking spaces required) and the amount of current parking is holding back better uses of the property. The owner would like to double the parking spaces in the rear of the building. The Parking area in the front of the building between Crystal Ave. and the building itself is limited. The northerly side of the building will have islands cut into the existing pavement to allow the planting of trees and shrubs. Landscaping in the rear would be along the perimeter which would add more greenery to the area and create a buffer between the parking lot and the wetland. Rear parking spaces have been cut from the previous plan presented back in 2011 from 17 to 11 spaces. Two of the spaces will be turned 90 degrees to be used to display used cars for one of the tenants. There will also be 3 display parking spaces for cars in the front and 6 in the center aisle in the back making a total of 11 display spaces for the sale of used cars. The grade in the rear will run from both the east and the west sides of the parking lot and flow to the south. In the south will be a drainage pond to collect sediment from salt run off. A post and rail fence will be erected on the easterly side to encourage snow to be plowed to the south towards the drainage pond.

Paul Dionne made a motion to authorize chair to sign the plan as presented. Paul Doolittle seconded the motion. Al others were in favor. Motion carried.

Conservation Activities updates:

Tent Platforms at Broadview Farm – After discussions with the scouts on platform usage and previous discussion among DCC members, a decision was made to keep two of the tent platforms and repair them with wood taken from the other two platforms if possible. A motion was made by Dennis Wiley to keep two of the tent platforms. The motion was seconded by Paul Dionne. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

Fence at Broadview Farm – After discussion, a motion was made by Paul Doolittle to keep the rocks that are there now and repair the fence wherever it is repairable. Paul Doolittle, Marianne Page, Peg Kinsella

and Dennis Wiley voted yes to keep the fence. Paul Dionne, Margie Ives and Beverly Ferrante voted no, 4-3-0. Motion Passed.

Dates for nature walks with Go Green will be ready for the next DCC Meeting.

The Shepard Property invasives are stalled at this point. DCC is waiting to hear from the Dept. of Agriculture. No update at this time.

Conservation activities with the Scouts – One of the Scouts is working on rustic wood engraved boards with the name of the conservations areas and trail plaques for future presentation to DCC.

Other Business:

Chair is meeting with the Wetlands Council on February 28th at 9:00 am in reference to 20 Lawrence Rd.

Chair has received a report from Elizabeth Robidoux on the Water Source Protection Plan. Chair will work on a date with Craig Durrett, as to when he could give a power point presentation on this plan to DCC.

Land Stewards - April 21st was set as the date to get together with the Land Stewards.

The Go Green Event (nature walks, etc.) that took place at Broadview farm Feb 18th, was a success.

The Derry Farmer's Market - Beverly Ferrante stated that there is an addition to the market's name. The word community has been added. (The Derry *Community* Farmer's Market.) Community players such as DCC, Go Green, and the Garden Club etc., are being invited to the market on March 17th. This would give the community players an opportunity to offer their information to people attending the market.

Motion to adjourn:

A motion was made by Paul Dionne to Adjourn. The motion was seconded by Paul Doolittle. Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Clerk/ Ruth Robinson