



Londonderry Conservation Commission  
Tuesday, July 10, 2018  
Minutes

1 **Present:** Marge Badois, Chair; Gene Harrington, Vice Chair; Bob Maxwell, member; Deb Lievens,  
2 member; Mike Noone, member; Roger Fillio, member; Julie Christenson-Collins, alternate member;  
3 Mike Speltz, alternate member and Richard Floyd, alternate member  
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5 **Absent:** Mike Byerly and Ted Combes, Town Council member  
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7 **Also present:** Amy Kizak, GIS Manager/Comprehensive Planner and Beth Morrison, Recording Secretary  
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9 Marge Badois called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. She appointed M Speltz to vote for M Byerly

10 **Old Business**

11 **Kendall Pond:** M Badois informed the Commission that Lisa Drabik, Assistant Town Manager, had  
12 forwarded her an email from Steve Cotton, Administrative Support Coordinator, that was approved by  
13 Janusz Czyzowski, Director of Public Works and Engineering, after he made a site visit to Kendall Pond.  
14 She read from the email: "essentially the only change is to leave the granite posts and add some black  
15 chains between them, such that the parking area would be expanded as we have been discussing, but  
16 the only way to enter the new cleared area will be through the existing driveway. Alternatively, instead  
17 of all this clearing, we could of course go back to the simple stationary gate idea, replace the logs, but of  
18 course this offers less parking in theory than what was planned." G Harrington stated that they would  
19 put chains between the posts and clear trees from the posts back. M Badois stated she wanted to read  
20 what Steve Cotton wrote to her: "we are in agreement to clear the area, approximately 35 X 65, but  
21 leave the existing granite posts and the grass that exists there today next to the road. The existing  
22 granite posts have bolts to connect black chains between them to make potential access to Kendall  
23 Pond. We could also place rocks between the granite posts as another precaution to prevent access. As  
24 stated previously, we will place additional logs like we have today in the new expansion area. All access  
25 to the existing expansion would be through the existing entrance." D Lievens asked if there was anyone  
26 in the Department of Public Works (DPW) that could make a drawing of the proposed plan. M Noone  
27 stated that he could draw a diagram for the Commission tonight of what the proposed new plan was. A  
28 Kizak put up a map on the board for the Commission and M Noone drew a diagram of the new proposed  
29 plan. M Badois stated that part of the plan is for the Commission to authorize a \$2,500 expense for the  
30 project. D Lievens stated in her opinion, she thought this was a good idea. M Noone stated he thought it  
31 was a good idea because the neighbors will be happy, as they have had an issue here for about 9 years.  
32 B Maxwell went on the record noting that the price is reasonable, but he has a problem fixing a crime  
33 problem in town, and would propose that this project not set a precedent. D Lievens stated she agreed  
34 with him one hundred percent. M Badois noted that the plans have changed slightly and was not sure if  
35 the pricing had changed as well. M Speltz stated that he would take a slightly different slant than B  
36 Maxwell, as if this was strictly a drug problem, the police department would enforce the law, but if there



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37 are physical changes to be made to a property, than he thought it could involve the Department of  
38 Public Works, as well as the police. B Maxwell agreed with M Speltz stating that it is a town problem. R  
39 Fillio stated he agreed with both B Maxwell and M Speltz, noting that the Commission wanted to put in  
40 parking, and he thinks the Commission will receive better parking with this deal. M Badois added that  
41 with more visible parking, it might encourage more people to use Kendall Pond. She also noted that the  
42 Commission's consensus would be to not set a precedent for the Commission to be responsible for  
43 funding crime prevention. G Harrington made a motion that the Commission authorize up to \$2,500 out  
44 of the Conservation Fund for the Kendall Pond improvement project noting that the Commission is not  
45 setting a precedent for being responsible for funding crime prevention. R Fillio seconded the motion.  
46 The motion passed, 7-0-0.

47 **Land acquisition process:** M Badois asked if M Speltz sent the draft by email. M Speltz stated that he  
48 had again, but seeing how no one received it, he would send it to M Badois' private email to ensure that  
49 it is received.

50 **Water resource management:** A Kizak explained that she had a meeting with Colleen Mailloux, Town  
51 Planner, Kevin Smith, Town Manager and Steve Cotton, and found out that the warrant article for  
52 \$35,000 is for a different water and air quality study. M Badois asked if A Kizak knew what the cost  
53 would be for a water resource management study. M Speltz stated that he had been working with the  
54 Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission (SNHPC) who thought they could do it for \$35,000;  
55 however, that relied on a lot of work from A Kizak. He asked if A Kizak could estimate what she thought  
56 her contribution might be towards this, and asked the Commission to consider funding a water resource  
57 study with conservation funds, assuming it is consistent with the law. M Badois asked who is performing  
58 the water and air quality study. A Kizak stated it was EnSafe Inc. who worked on the 2001 and 2004  
59 studies. M Speltz asked if this is a sole source contract. A Kizak stated that she is not sure as Steven  
60 Cotton is managing it. M Noone asked what the specific study is doing. A Kizak stated it is testing water  
61 quality in wells in town. M Speltz stated there are 12 sampling locations and an air quality station at  
62 Moose Hill. He asked the Commission if they would be in favor of spending up to \$70,000 for such a  
63 study out of the Open Space fund. The Commission's consensus was positive for such a study. M Speltz  
64 stated he would email Kevin Smith and request a legal review. He asked for A Kizak to reach out and let  
65 Sylvia von Aulock, Executive Director for the SNHPC, know what direction the Commission is taking.

66 **Encroachments:** M Noone explained that they are waiting until the end of the month for any further  
67 action with the Gilcreast encroachment. He stated that the Cooper parcel was addressed by the police  
68 department before and they have continued to disturb the soil. He explained that he and M Speltz went  
69 out over the weekend to reestablish the boundaries and found another encroachment. He stated they  
70 were attempting to place conservation signs to mark the boundary, but encountered an upset resident,  
71 who was adamant that M Noone and M Speltz were on his property, so they stopped putting up the



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72 signs. He noted that he contacted Richard Canuel, Chief Building Inspector, Health Officer, Zoning  
73 Administrator & Code Enforcement Officer, and the police department about the upset resident. He  
74 stated that the next time the police would escort him to the property to not escalate the upset resident.  
75 M Badois asked if M Noone wanted to hire a surveyor again. M Speltz made a motion to expend an  
76 amount not to exceed \$5,000 from the Open Space fund, for a surveyor to establish a boundary line  
77 along the northeast corner of the Cooper parcel where it parallels Iroquois Circle. G Harrington  
78 seconded the motion. The motion passed, 7-0-0.

79 **Turtle signs:** M Badois informed the Commission that the signs arrived today and asked specifically  
80 where the signs are needed. G Harrington stated he thought Fish & Game wanted signs on Wiley Hill  
81 Road. M Noone suggested that Melissa Doperalski, from Fish & Game should tell the Commission where  
82 to place them and stated that he would email her. M Badois suggested that she draw the Commission a  
83 map as well.

84 **Public walk/paddle:** M Badois informed the Commission that the paddle would be this Saturday, July  
85 14, 2018, at Scobie Pond from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. She asked if anyone else had kayaks that they could  
86 bring. R Floyd stated that he has 2 kayaks and can drop them off, as he cannot make it.

87 **Cross Farm:** A Kizak informed the Commission that an email was sent out to Cross Farm to put the  
88 conservation signs up and she will be following up to make sure the signs are placed.

89 **New Business:**

90 **CIP:** M Badois asked if the Commission needed anything. M Speltz stated it was a \$100,000 minimum  
91 threshold, and therefore the water study would not qualify.

92 **Camera:** B Maxwell stated he did not think the camera would be viable with the change in parking at  
93 Kendall Pond. M Badois asked if the camera could pick up the number of cars. B Maxwell stated he  
94 thought it could do that. G Harrington thought it would be good to count the road traffic or the number  
95 of people using Kendall Pond with the camera. M Badois agreed that it would be a good statistic to have.

96 **Minutes:** The Commissioners went over the public minutes from June 26, 2018. G Harrington made a  
97 motion to accept the minutes as amended. B Maxwell seconded the motion. The motion passed, 5-0-2  
98 with M Noone and R Fillio abstaining.

99 **Mesiti Development orchard:** M Speltz informed the Commission that he found out the owner applying  
100 for the assessment cannot be the cause of the contamination, which makes him believe that it might be  
101 okay for Mesiti to apply for the assessment. He stated that he needs to call and speak with someone  
102 regarding this and if they can indeed apply, he can fill out the application for them.



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103 **DRC**

104 **Reeds Ferry Site Plan (Map 2 Lots 34, 34-4, & 34-5):** The Commissioners reviewed the DRC for Reeds  
105 Ferry Site plan commenting that it looks like the pavement proposed on the northerly side of building  
106 Map 2 Lot 34-4, is less than 15 feet from the lot boundary, which is a requirement of Londonderry's site  
107 plan regulations. The Commissioners suggested using pervious pavement given the high percentage of  
108 impervious pavement on this site.

109 **Adjournment:** M Speltz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. G Harrington seconded the  
110 motion. The motion passed, 7-0-0.

111 Respectfully Submitted,  
112 Beth Morrison  
113 Recording Secretary