



Londonderry Conservation Commission
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1 Present: Deb Lievens, Gene Harrington, Truda Bloom, Ben LaBrecque, George Herrmann, and Mike Speltz

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3 D. Lievens called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM and appointed M. Speltz to vote for Mike Considine.

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5 Public Hearing- The Londonderry Conservation Commission entered into a public hearing at 7:32 PM
6 regarding the purchase of a conservation easement on 20 +/- acres of parcel 17-10 (587 Mammoth Road)
7 owned by Everett D. Merrill and Charlotte F. Merrill for approximately \$219,000. The public hearing was
8 closed at approximately 7:50 and **the LCC voted 6-0-0 to recommend to the Town Council that the Town**
9 **proceed with the Purchase and Sale agreement regarding a 20 +/- acre conservation easement on map**
10 **and lot 17-10** (see separate Public Hearing minutes). D. Lievens will follow up with Town Council Liaison
11 Tom Dolan and the Town Manager to arrange for the issue to be placed on an upcoming Town Council
12 agenda (namely March 7 or 21). The easement deed language will substantially be in the form of the
13 existing conservation easement on map and lot 17-6 with some minor revisions previously proposed by K.
14 Merrill and agreed to by the LCC. The deed will need to be reviewed by the Town Attorney who will
15 perform a title search as well. D. Lievens has already contacted the Rockingham County Conservation
16 District to inquire if they will hold and manage the easement. A one-time contribution to their
17 management fund will be necessary to finance the stewardship in perpetuity. A baseline study will also be
18 required and the RCCD has stated their preference for their own staff to perform one. They will also want
19 to review the deed language once the Town Attorney has approved it. M. Speltz is prepared to write a
20 hazardous waste inspection report as he has walked and examined the entire property and found it to be
21 clean, although the RCCD may want their own staff to perform this inspection as well as the baseline study.

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23 Aquatic Resource Mitigation Fund- Gove Environmental Services has submitted another invoice in the
24 amount of \$8,099.29 for work being performed in conjunction with the wetland restoration project on map
25 and lot 6-113. Per the agreement with the Town Financial Director (see January 11, 2011 minutes), Gove
26 will be paid through the Town's General Fund, which will later be reimbursed by DES.

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28 FRPP grant- A. Mack Sr. recently declined to pursue a conservation easement with the Town using the Farm
29 and Ranchland Protection Program grant money that was awarded to the Town in 2010. The Natural
30 Resource Conservation Service informed M. Speltz that the funds could be transferred to another property,
31 provided it would meet the soil type qualifications and a transaction could be completed by the March 31
32 deadline. M. Speltz spoke with the owner of a property previously discussed in non-public sessions who
33 considered the offer but has since not indicated an interest in pursuing the grant. M. Speltz has discussed
34 the issue with NRCS as well as the Rockingham County Conservation District who prepared the grant on
35 behalf of the LCC. He reported that NRCS said the inability to use the grant funds should not affect the
36 LCC's future attempts to obtain another FRPP grant.

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38 Saving Special Places Land Conservation Conference- The 10th annual Saving Special Places conference will
39 take place on April 9 at the Kearsarge Regional High School in Sutton. M. Speltz will be giving one of the
40 scheduled presentations. D. Lievens suggested the LCC subsidize half of the \$60 registration fee to
41 encourage Commissioners to attend. **M. Speltz made a motion that the LCC subsidize half of the \$60 fee**
42 **to attend the Saving Special Places Land Conservation Conference on April 9. G. Herrmann seconded.**
43 **The motion was approved, 6-0-0.**



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44 Sunnycrest easement, Phase I- D. Lievens reported that she continues to work with RCCD so that they can
45 take ownership of the first phase of the three Sunnycrest orchard easements and the associated
46 monitoring duties. This was agreed to in 2010 since RCCD already owns and manages the other two
47 phases.

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49 February 8, 2011 minutes- The following changes and corrections were suggested to the draft of the
50 February 8, 2011 minutes:

51 1. Page two, lines 72-75; Replace "Purple loosestrife has also been found in the Musquash at the
52 end of the Faucher Road bridge and on map and lot 6-113 where a wetland restoration project is taking
53 place so the beetles will be released in those areas as well," with "Beetles will also be released where
54 purple loosestrife has also been found in the Musquash at the end of the Faucher Road bridge and on map
55 and lot 6-113 where a wetland restoration project is taking place through the Aquatic Resource Mitigation
56 Fund program" (D. Lievens).

57 2. Page two, line 77: Change "210" to "200" (D. Lievens).

58 3. Page three, line 127; Change "past" to "paste" (T. Bloom).

59 **G. Herrmann made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2011 public session as amended.**
60 **T. Bloom seconded. The motion was approved, 5-0-1 with G. Harrington abstaining as he had not**
61 **attended the meeting.**

62 A typographical error was noted on line 29 of the February 8, 2011 non-public minutes. **G.**
63 **Herrmann made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2011 non-public session as**
64 **amended. T. Bloom seconded. The motion was approved, 5-0-1 with the same abstention noted above.**
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66 DRCs- 1. Brewster Place Lot Line Adjustment; 16-38 & 60-3:

67 No comments

68 2. Bauchman's Towing site plan; 5 Enterprise Drive; 15-62-2:

69 Comments:

70 a. Fix "Jack's" Bridge Road on the plan.

71 b. Problem with toe of slope being in buffer; needs CUP; should come to CC (need two week
72 notice).

73 c. Parking for vehicles not a use allowed by CUP.

74 d. It would be helpful to have Enterprise Drive on the locus map

75 e. We noted that the existing detention pond is in the buffer. Does the fact that it is a new
76 plan mean that that would be a buffer impact, too?

77 f. Arborvitae planted on north side of the building will get no or limited sun, so they will die.
78 Any replant plans?

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80 G. Harrington made a motion to adjourn the meeting. G. Herrmann seconded. The motion was
81 approved, 6-0-0 and the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:40 PM.

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83 Respectfully submitted,

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85 Jaye Trottier
86 Secretary