



Londonderry Conservation Commission
Tuesday, March 12, 2013
Minutes

1 Present: Gene Harrington; Mike Considine; Paul Nickerson; Truda Bloom; Ben LaBrecque,
2 Marge Badois; and Mike Speltz

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4 Gene Harrington called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. He appointed M. Speltz to vote for
5 Deb Lievens.

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7 Musquash Field Day- M. Considine reported that approximately 100 people attended this
8 annual event on February 16. He suggested, however, that the Commission plan some new
9 activities for next year's field day (e.g. dog sled races) to broaden the appeal.

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11 Target shooting in the Musquash- M. Considine stated that target shooting continues unabated
12 in the Musquash Conservation Area, noting that the kiosk at the Hickory Hill entrance was
13 damaged, along with several trees, and that trash items including broken bottles have been left
14 behind. He repeated his previously stated goal of leading a site walk with the Town Council to
15 view the damage and demonstrate the proximity of some of the shooting areas to the various
16 walking trails. State laws were discussed and M. Considine said he would be coordinating his
17 research into a PowerPoint presentation for the Council. He asked Commissioners to review
18 it at their March 26 Commission meeting and requested that the Commission's liaison to the
19 Council attend the meeting to discuss the issue. It was agreed that the threat to public safety
20 is significant enough that the Council should take action to create some kind of enforceable
21 measures.

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23 **M. Speltz made a motion to go into Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3 for the purpose of**
24 **discussing possible land acquisitions. M. Considine seconded.**

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26 **Roll call vote: Aye, B. LaBrecque; Aye, P. Nickerson; Aye, Mike Considine; Aye, Marge Badois;**
27 **Aye, M. Speltz; and Aye, G. Harrington.**

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29 **M. Speltz made a motion to go out of Non-Public Session. P. Nickerson seconded. The**
30 **motion was approved, 6-0-0.**

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32 **M. Speltz made a motion to seal the minutes of the Non-Public Session indefinitely.**
33 **P. Nickerson seconded. The motion was approved, 6-0-0.**

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35 February 12, 2013 minutes- **M. Considine made a motion to approve the minutes of the**
36 **February 12, 2013 public session as written. P. Nickerson seconded. The motion was**
37 **approved, 4-0-2 with B. LaBrecque and M. Speltz abstaining as they had not attended the**
38 **meeting.**

39 **M. Considine made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2013**
40 **non-public session as written. P. Nickerson seconded. The motion was approved, 4-0-2**



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43 PSNH D+F- On November 27 and December 11, 2012 the Commission reviewed a Standard
44 Dredge and Fill application submitted to the State by Public Service of New Hampshire for
45 89,322 square feet of temporary wetland and stream impacts to occur within an existing 18.5
46 mile 345 kV transmission line right of way stretching from the Scobie Pond substation in
47 Londonderry to the southern border of Hudson. The Commission had voted to recommend
48 approval of the D+F permit with the "condition that the permit reflect that no work affecting
49 sensitive areas will begin earlier than November."

50 G. Harrington presented a copy of the wetlands permit issued by the State. M. Speltz
51 reviewed it and noted the Commission's aforementioned condition was not included.

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53 [T. Bloom arrived during the above discussion at approximately 8:05 PM].

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55 New England Cottontail/Moose Hill Orchard easement- G. Harrington stated that a Notice of
56 Intent to Cut recently approved by the Town Council is associated with work being done on
57 map 6, lot 97 to aid in the creation of natural habitat for the endangered New England
58 Cottontail. Although the conservation easement on the lot includes forestry management as
59 a permitted use, Commissioners noted that a change in the conditions of the land will be noted
60 in next year's annual monitoring of the property and that the easement may require that there be a
61 forest management plan prepared within the last ten years.

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63 Saving Special Places 2013- G. Harrington stated that this annual event will take place on April
64 6, from 8 AM to 3:45 PM at John Stark Regional High School in Weare, NH.

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66 Musquash Trail Days- M. Considine announced that a series of trail days in the Musquash will
67 commence on April 14. Work will include rerouting of existing trails as well as the creation of
68 a new one.

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70 **M. Speltz made motion to adjourn the meeting. P. Nickerson seconded. The motion was**
71 **approved, 7-0-0.**

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73 The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:20 PM.

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75 Respectfully submitted,

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79 Jaye Trottier

80 Secretary