

Londonderry Conservation Commission Tuesday, April 23, 2013 Minutes

1 Present: Deb Lievens; Gene Harrington; Truda Bloom; and Marge Badois 2 3 D. Lievens called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM. 4 5 New England Cottontail- D. Lievens reported that Phase I of the NE Cottontail Rabbit Habit 6 Development began on April 17. She presented staff with the signed agreement, liability 7 insurance certificate, and Notice of Intent to Cut for the Commission's files. M. Considine 8 relayed to her earlier in the week that he would be performing a site walk with Town Forester 9 Charlie Moreno to ensure the specified trail crossings are clearly visible to the loggers so as to 10 minimize any disturbance. D. Lievens stated that the work is expected to completed, weather 11 permitting, in two to three weeks. 12 13 Target shooting in the Musquash- On April 15, Conservation Commission Liaison Tom Dolan 14 provided his fellow Town Councilors with a report of the Commission's April 9 meeting during 15 which this topic was discussed (see April 9, 2013 minutes). D. Lievens added that she 16 forwarded comments to T. Dolan from Commissioner Mike Considine about his initial contact 17 with New Hampshire Fish and Game. 18 19 Monitoring- Holly Green of the NH Department of Environmental Services recently contacted 20 the Rockingham Country Conservation District requesting to be included in the next annual 21 monitoring of the Ingersoll easements. Since they could not grant the necessary consent for 22 her to do so, D. Lievens contacted H. Green to give permission on behalf of the Town. She 23 also explained to her that the next monitoring would not take place until sometime after the 24 start of the next fiscal year on July 1, 2013. 25 T. Bloom gave a status report on the coordination of easement monitoring on those 26 lands not inspected annually by a Federal, State, or local entity. She is in the process of 27 grouping together easements by location in order to assign them to individual Commissioners. 28 29 Invasive plant species (Phragmites)- In the summer of 2012, an invasive species specialist 30 investigating the range of the invasive plant Phragmites on Town owned property on map 6, lot 31 113 found that the plant had spread onto three abutting lots. D. Lievens mailed letters at that 32 time to the owners of 6-110-3, 110-4, and 110-5, requesting permission to access the rear 33 portions of their lots where Phragmites was found so that the necessary aquatic herbicide can 34 be applied. Since the removal project did not take place in 2012 and one of the homeowners 35 had not responded to the Commission's request, D. Lievens has sent letters to all three along 36 with updated permission forms to be signed and self-addressed stamped envelopes. She is in 37 the process of contacting the invasives specialist so that he can apply for the requisite wetlands 38 permit. 39



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40 Annual review of non-public minutes- Portions of all non-public minutes between 2002 and 41 2012 were divided amongst Commissioners so that they may review them and make 42 recommendations at a future meeting of any information that should be released. Per the 43 Commission's policy, "Once a consensus is reached by a quorum of Conservation 44 Commissioners, non-public minutes will be unsealed and made available to the public, 45 excluding that information which 1) contains negotiating or analytical methods used by the 46 Conservation Commission when discussing potential land acquisition, 2) contains information 47 regarding potential or ongoing transactions or for any other reasons permitted by RSA 91-A:3." 48 Commissioners not present will have their portions emailed to them by staff. 49 50 April 9, 2013 minutes- G. Harrington made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 9, 51 2013 public session as written. T. Bloom seconded. The motion was approved, 4-0-0. 52 53 G. Harrington made motion to adjourn the meeting. T. Bloom seconded. The motion was 54 approved, 4-0-0. 55 56 The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:45 PM. 57 58 Respectfully submitted, 59 60 61 62 Jaye Trottier 63 Secretary