

Sam Demeritt called the meeting to order when a quorum of members was reached at 7:30. Other members in attendance were Cheryl Smith, Kristen Lamb and Susan Mooney. Guest was John Knorr who indicated that he was interested as a possible volunteer for the Commission. Mr. Knorr was asked to step out for about half an hour while the Commission moved into a nonpublic (closed) session.

At 7:31, it was moved and seconded to move into a **Nonpublic Session** per RSA 91-A:3 I. (j) (Confidential per RSA 91-A:5). All four votes were in favor.

At 7:55 it was moved to close the Nonpublic Session by a motion from Mooney, seconded by Lamb; all four votes were in favor. It was then moved by Mooney, seconded by Lamb to seal the minutes of the Nonpublic Session per RSA 91-A:3 III by a 2/3 vote of the members. The motion was made by Mooney, seconded by Lamb; all 4 votes were in favor.

Mr. Knorr returned. He told the members that as a ten-year resident of Nottingham he would like to volunteer for the town and that he was interested in learning more.

#### **Correspondence:**

- Dated 4/18/14, to David Price, DES Wetlands Bureau, File #2014-00645, from Todd Piskovitz, Lamprey River Advisory Committee (LRAC) Chairman of Project Review Sub-committee, a letter relative to the wetlands permit for a proposed development between Friar Tuck Lane and Oak Ridge Road. The letter stated concerns about the development and listed eight concerns in addition to the wetland impacts. The letter was cc-ed to Jacquie Colburn of DES, the Planning Board, Beals Associates, the engineering firm for the project, in addition to the Commission.
- Dated 4/23/14, from Farwell Engineering Services re: a permit application to DES for property owned by Jonathan and Lisa Daniels, on Cooper Hill Road, Map 1, Lot 70C to put in a driveway that would impact three wet areas. There had been a previous permit granted but that had lapsed and this was a reapplication for such a permit. The total wetlands impact would be approximately 2000 ft<sup>2</sup> and would require 24" corrugated culvert installations. The Commission had concerns about the wetland crossings: the quality of the wetlands, the size of the proposed culverts and the design relative to the impact areas. It was agreed that a site walk would be in order. Demeritt will contact Farwell Engineers to schedule the walk.

- Three newsletters were received: Bear-Paw Regional Greenways, Supply Lines with the Source and Directions.

**Minutes:** The Minutes of March 10 were reviewed and accepted as corrected on a motion made by Mooney, seconded by Smith. All four votes were in favor.

The minutes of April 14 were reviewed and accepted as corrected on a motion made by Mooney, seconded by Smith. All four votes were in favor.

The minutes of April 16 were postponed to the next meeting.

**Strategic Plan:** Members reviewed the Strategic Plan crafted by the Commission over the last several months. This document included a Vision Statement, a Mission Statement with five Goals and Strategic Initiatives. Edits were suggested and made. It was moved by Smith and seconded by Lamb to accept the Strategic Plan as edited. All votes (4) were in favor of adopting the Strategic Plan.

Lamb and/or Demeritt will send the Strategic Plan to the Business Office, Planning Board, and the Board of Selectmen. The Commission will ask that the Plan be posted on the Commission's web page. Lamb will submit the Plan to the Forum and the Nottingham Newsletter.

**Bear-Paw Report:** Demeritt stated that the annual Biothon would be held on June 14. Other activities can be found in the Bear-Paw Regional Greenways newsletter available at Blaisdell Memorial Library and at their web page, [www.bear-paw.org](http://www.bear-paw.org).

Discussion about the **Four Generals' Greenway** was postponed to a later date.

The Commission's meeting with the Board of Selectmen has been rescheduled to Monday June 2. Documents for outreach, documents listing current projects (with confidentiality protected using alphanumeric designations), a list of Commission members and their terms since 2001 will be available for distribution.

Demeritt will again ask the BOS to reappoint Smith as a Commission member.

With so much on everyone's "plate", the June bird and wild flower walk has been postponed to later in the year.

River quality testing will commence in late May and will continue for every two weeks through out the summer into September. Samples at two locations from the North River and one location on the Little River will be tested for dissolved oxygen content, turbidity, pH and conductivity. Data is sent to the Volunteer River Assessment Program (VRAP) in Concord, part of a federal program available to all states.

It was moved by Mooney, seconded by Smith to adjourn. All votes were in favor.  
The meeting was adjourned at 9:45.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan P. Mooney, Secretary.

These minutes were accepted as corrected at the meeting held on June 9, 2014.