



Derry Conservation Commission
14 Manning St
Derry, NH 03038

Minutes of Public Meeting February 27, 2017

On February 27, 2017 at 7:00 pm, the Derry Conservation Commission met in the 3rd floor meeting room of the Derry Municipal Center.

The following members were present: Neil Wetherbee, Chair, Ric Buzzanga, Eileen Chabot, Margie Ives and Alternate, Marc Vagos. Council Liaison Charles Foote was present.

Absent: James Degnan, Paul Dionne, Marius Zainea, Alternates, William Ventura and Peg Kinsella. Marc Vagos sat for Paul Dionne.

Ric Buzzanga made a motion to approve the minutes of February 13, 2017 with amendment. Eileen Chabot seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried

Chair's Report, Correspondence & Bills:

The Saving Special Places Conference will be held April 8th, at the Prospect Mountain High School, in Alton, NH.

DES:

23 Whitney's Grove Rd. – Tax map 16/Lot 16-003 – This is a Shoreland Impact permit (11,200 sq. ft.) The project is to restore portions of a gravel driveway, raze an existing structure and build a new structure with a septic tank.

18 Dixon's Grove Rd. – Standard Review permit. The project is to rebuild the rocky shoreline, replace steps and replace deck posts and footings. No action is needed by DCC.

Update on Conservation Activities:

The snowshoe event at Broadview Farm was well attended. There was a good amount of snow this year. Kudos were given to *Go Green* for putting on this annual event.

Update on Drought:

Adams Pond is looking good. Cole Marsh has water flowing over the beaver dam. Vernal pools are filling up. Conditions are out of extreme and into severe now.

Update on Conservation Activities:

There was discussion on allowing hunting activities at the newly acquired Caras and Sawyer properties. According to David Viale from the South East Land Trust, DCC reserves the right whether or not to allow hunting.

Ric Buzzanga made a motion to allow hunting on the recently purchased Willow Ave. Conservation Property. Eileen Chabot seconded the motion.

(4-1) Margaret Ives opposed. Ric Buzzanga, Eileen Chabot, Marc Vagos and Neil Wetherbee approved.

Ric Buzzanga made a motion to allow hunting on the recently purchased Sawyer property. Eileen Chabot seconded the motion.

(4-1) Margaret Ives opposed. Ric Buzzanga, Eileen Chabot, Marc Vagos and Neil Wetherbee approved. Margaret Ives would like to research the file on the Sawyer property.

Bylaws Review/Approval:

Neil Wetherbee had drawn up a set of bylaws for DCC. It was brought before the commission for discussion at a previous meeting. Some changes and amendments were made.

Ric Buzzanga made a motion to accept the Conservation Commission Bylaws established and as presented to the commission this evening, February 27, 2017, to be a boiler plate for commission members' responsibilities, as amended. Marc Vagos seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

This is a starting point for the commission. It can be amended anytime moving forward if needed. The commission thanked Neil Wetherbee for putting together the bylaws.

Adjournment:

Ric Buzzanga made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Eileen Chabot seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Recording Clerk/ Ruth Robinson