



Derry Conservation Commission
14 Manning St
Derry, NH 03038

Minutes of Public Meeting January 23, 2017

On January 23, 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, Margaret Ives, James Degnan, Paul Dionne, Ric Buzzanga and Marc Vagos. Members, Eileen Chabot and Marius Zainea were absent. Alternates, Peg Kinsella, William Ventura, and Brian DeSimone were absent. Marc Vagos sat for Eileen Chabot.

Paul Dionne made a motion to approve the minutes of January 9, 2017 with amendment. Ric Buzzanga seconded the motion. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

Chair's Report, Correspondence & Bills:

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4 Laraway Ct – The Franklin Village Apartments. The proposal is for the replacement of an existing foot bridge. Chair, Neil Wetherbee has recently looked at the project. James Degnan will look at the site in the week ahead. Procedure allows the Chair to sign the plan once a second commission member views the site and there are no issues.

Update on Conservation Activities:

Streams and vernal pools are showing improvement. Drought conditions still exist.

Broadview - There has been a request to hold a Wedding at Broadview Farm in June of 2017. There would be 80 to 100 people attending. There was discussion on the lack of parking and the disturbance to wildlife. There is currently no policy in place for uses at the property, only deed restrictions. DCC decided that a policy of uses does need to be established.

Paul Dionne made a motion to authorize the June wedding to take place at Broadview Farm, which would have 80 to 100 people in attendance. Margaret Ives seconded the motion.

Vote- Ric Buzzanga voted yes. Neil Wetherbee, Chair, ~~Eileen Chabot~~, James Degnan, Paul Dionne, Margaret Ives, Marius Zainea and ~~Marc Vagos~~ voted no. Motion failed.

Alternate Member, Brian DeSimone has given his resignation.

Chair Neil Wetherbee constructed and presented a framework for the Conservation Commissions' Bylaws. The document featured topics including:

- Authorization
- Membership
- Meetings
- Elections
- Officer Responsibilities & Duties
- Functions of the Members
- Attendance
- Voting
- Finance

The members discussed the topics and made suggestions. The document will be updated with the changes discussed and will be presented again at the next DCC meeting February 13, 2017 for further discussion. A vote will be taken on the final document at the February 27, 2017 DCC meeting.

Paul Dionne made a motion to enter into non-public session. James Degnan seconded the motion. All members were polled and voted yes.

Non-public meeting per RSA 91-A:3-II(d) "Consideration of the acquisition, sale, or lease of real or personal property which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interests are adverse to those of the general community."

The public meeting adjourned at 7:45pm and the non-public session began.

Recording Clerk/ Ruth Robinson