



Derry Conservation Commission
14 Manning St
Derry, NH 03038

Minutes of Public Meeting October 13, 2014

On October 13, 2014 at 7:00 pm, the Derry Conservation Commission met in the Cable TV Studio of the Derry Municipal Center.

The followings members were present: James Degnan, Paul Dionne, Margaret Ives, Chair, Peg Kinsella, Marianne Page, Richard Tripp & Dennis Wiley. Jim Arruda, Ric Buzzanga and Eileen Chabot were absent. Richard Tripp sat for Jim Arruda and Peg Kinsella sat for Eileen Chabot.

Acceptance of Minutes:

Paul Dionne made a motion to accept the minutes of September 22, 2014 as written. Richard Tripp seconded the motion. Peg Kinsella and Marianne Page abstained. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

Chair's Report, Correspondence & Bills:

Chair attended the Molly Reid Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution 120th anniversary on October 4th. Hannah Martin was honored and she was presented a Conservation medal.

October 16th – The Pinkerton Academy Volunteer Fair from 10:30 to 1:30 in the Shepard Building. A suggestion was made to have the Land Steward info available for viewing at the fair.

October 24, 2014 – South East Land Trust 12th Annual Fall Foliage Fundraiser

Bills:

There is a bill for \$750.00 to be paid to the South East Land Trust, which will be discussed at tonight's non-public.

There is a bill for \$74.29. Richard Tripp made a motion to pay Paula Frank of Go Green \$74.29 for reimbursement for the cost of Go Green literature, which will be used at the Pinkerton Academy Volunteer Fair. The money is to be taken from the Administrative account. Paul Dionne seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Site Review:

Route 111 and Island Pond Rd. Intersection- Tax Map/lot 04-126 & 04-127-Cowbell Corner Realty LLC/Lewis Builders- Josh Manning presented. This is a commercial site. The proposal is for two retail buildings and a 5 pump gas station. DCC had done a site walk of the area on October 1, 2014. DCC felt the plans were pretty straight forward and did not have any concerns. DCC does want the invasive species note to be on the plan. Paul Dionne made a motion for the Chair to sign the plan. Dennis Wiley seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion carried.

Go Green:

Paula Frank and Liz Carver were present. Paula reviewed all the Go Green events that were held this year and gave an update on what was still to come in 2014. The snowshoe event, movie screenings, library displays, the town wide clean-up, conservation walks, stream visits with the Boys & Girls club etc., all went well.

October 16th - Pinkerton Academy Volunteer Fair will be held in the Shepard Building. Go Green is participating in the fair in hopes to reach out to any of the students that would like to volunteer as land stewards, help on Shepard Invasive Day, etc.

The fall town wide clean-up is October 18th thru the 25th.

November 15th - The Go Green movie screening "Chasing Ice" will be shown at 6:00 pm at the Coffee Factory. Before the screening, there will be a showing of "Hampstead Recycles". This is a film that was made by the Pinkerton Academy Video Class.

Judy Follo, Go Green Chair, will be stepping down from that position at the November meeting. Liz Carver will be the new Chair.

Energy and Environmental Advisory Committee:

Maureen Reno from the Energy and Environmental Advisory Committee (EEAC) met with DCC this evening. EEAC was established by the Derry Town Council in 2008. Part of what they do is to help educate the residents on alternate heating sources, energy saving light bulbs, etc. They can advise the public on any state resources/rebates, that may be available to home owner s. Maureen spoke of an upcoming workshop at the Marion Gerrish Community Center on "How to Save Energy in the Home" which will be held November 1, 2014 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. A second seminar will be held at the center November 12th from 7:00 to 9:00 pm, hosted by a state organization called "Button Up". EEAC can also offer advice for renters on how they could save on energy costs - plastic on windows, caulking, etc.

Update on Conservation activities:

Parking at Collette's Mountain –Doug Dixon will walk the area with Margie Ives and Dennis Wiley and Doug will give his suggestions on parking. Doug also wrote a letter on his life growing up near Collette's Mountain. A suggestion was made to have Doug's letter put in the Derry News.

BF Gardens – November 1st is the deadline for all gardeners to remove stakes and any debris. Peg Kinsella suggested planting some milk weed pods across the street in hopes to attract the Monarch Butterflies. This could possibly be a scout project.

Shepard - There was discussion on making the Shepard Property more accessible and more inviting, possibly a mowed path through the area and a bench for sitting.

Other Business:

Richard Tripp suggested that maybe the Pinkerton Video Class might like to do their next film on Invasive Species.

Chair is looking for ideas on a way to recognize people who have put a conservation easement on their property.

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

James Degnan made a motion enter into non-public meeting. Richard Tripp seconded the motion. All members were polled and voted yes. The public meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm and the non-public meeting began.

Recording Clerk/Ruth Robinson