



Derry Conservation Commission  
14 Manning St  
Derry, NH 03038

### **Minutes of Public Meeting October 19, 2015**

On October 19, 2015 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: Eileen Chabot, James Degnan and Paul Dionne. Alternates, Peg Kinsella, and Neil Wetherbee were present. Town Council Liaison, Tom Cardon was present. Margaret Ives, Ric Buzzanga and Marius Zainea along with alternates Marianne Page and Alan Camuso were absent. Paul Dionne sat in as Chair for the meeting this evening. Neil Wetherbee sat for Margaret Ives and Peg Kinsella sat for Ric Buzzanga.

#### **Acceptance of Minutes:**

James Degnan made a motion to accept the minutes of September 28, 2015. Neil Wetherbee seconded the motion. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

#### **Chair's Report, Correspondence & Bills:**

Correspondence has been received from UNH Cooperative Extension on a workshop by Professor, Specialist, Karen Bennet. This was passed around. The workshop will be on Forestry Law for Municipal Officials. This is a free workshop that will be held on November 9, 2015. Reservations are required. A quarterly periodical from *Great Bay Matters* about the Great Bay Estuary was passed around and a current South East Land Trust Newsletter was passed around.

#### **Site Review:**

*246 Island Pond Road*- Tax Map/Lot 7-12 -Tim Winings presented. A packet of information was handed out along with a full set of plans to each DCC Commission member. A copy of the subdivision approval from NHDES, and a conditions plan etc. was included in the packet. A site walk has been done by DCC. The lot is mostly open with a few trees. There is a central wetland on each side of an existing drainage way. There is a small detention pond in the southwest corner. There is Japanese knotweed in that area also, which shows on sheet #2. The DCC note on Invasive Species has been added to the plan on both sheets 1 & 2. A Shoreland Protection Act Permit is not required at this stage. It will be required for the septic design. At that time, the abutters and DCC will be notified. DCC requested a summary of the soil type for 5-21 BH soil. Tim explained that this is a high intensity soil survey designation. It is a poorly drained soil, glacial till, no obstructions, with a B-slope, which is fairly flat.

Neil Wetherbee made a motion for chair to sign the plan. James Degnan seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Site Review:** 20 Gulf Road- Tax Map 4/ Lot # 61, Robert Balquist, Engineering Technician from Meisner Brem presented. This is and (11 & ½) acre parcel. The proposal is to subdivide the area into two lots. There is an existing single family home. The subdivision will be (5) acres for the existing house lot and (6 ½) acres for the new lot. There are wetlands on the parcel. There will be no filling of wetlands or any work done in the buffer zones surrounding the wetlands. Gove Environmental Services is the Certifying Agency. Luke Hurley from Gove delineated the wetlands and performed a high intensity soil survey. A soil test pit for the new house has been done. The house will be a single family, three bedroom home with an in-law apartment. It will be setback about 600 ft. off Gulf Rd. and 65 feet from the wetland. The test pit for the septic is a 120 feet from the wetlands. The Derry Zoning Ordinance for setback from a wetland that is in excess of an acre is 75 feet. DCC suggested moving the house back on the lot another 10 ft. to be within the Zoning Ordinance. DCC questioned some dotted lines that were displayed on the plan. ~~Tim Winings~~ Robert Balquist explained that these lines indicate soil boundaries between the different high intensity soil units. This explanation will be added to the legend on the plan. DCC will do a site walk October 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am.

#### **Update on Conservation Activities:**

The Go Green town wide clean-up week was a great success. There were lots of teams this year.

*Broadview Gardens-* The date for the gardeners to have the plots cleaned up by is November 1<sup>st</sup>. There are still about 13 gardeners that need to clean their plots. Last night October 18<sup>th</sup> was the first killing frost.

The Town Tax Deeded Property list was discussed. There are two Conservation properties on the list, 19 Partridge Lane which is a 4 ½ acre vacant lot which is mostly wetland and 5.5 Orchard Dr. which is a prime wetland that connects to a prime wetland on the Doolittle Property. Chair will notify the town of these two properties being on the list. There was no discussion of interest on any of the remaining properties listed by the DCC members present.

James Degnan gave an update on the cost, of repairing the gates at Grinnell, which will be around \$190.00. The cost is for (2) 16 foot posts, 2 gates and hardware. James Degnan made a motion to pay for repairs to the Grinnell gates with costs not to exceed \$200.00. Neil Wetherbee seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

#### **Adjournment:**

Peg Kinsella made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Eileen Chabot seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Recording Clerk/ Ruth Robinson