



Derry Conservation Commission
14 Manning St
Derry, NH 03038

Minutes of Public Meeting October 10, 2016

On October 10, 2016 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, Paul Dionne, Margaret Ives, and Alternate, Peg Kinsella. Marius Zainea, James Degnan and Alternates, Marc Vagos, Brian DeSimone and William Ventura, were absent. Town Council Liaison, Charles Foote, was present. Peg Kinsella sat for Marius Zainea.

Acceptance of Minutes:

Paul Dionne made a motion to accept the public minutes of September 12, 2016. Ric Buzzanga seconded the motion. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

Paul Dionne made a motion to accept the non-public minutes of August 22, 2016 with a spelling correction of the word Mackey. Ric Buzzanga seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Paul Dionne made a motion to accept the non-public minutes of September 12, 2016. Ric Buzzanga seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Chair's Report, Correspondence & Bills:

DES:

62 Beaver Lake Ave- A notice has been received that the permit has been approved.

1015 Collettes Grove Rd - This is a Shoreland Impact permit. The work proposed will be the razing and re-building of structures.

Germantown Rd- Tax Map 103 lot 19 – A notification has been received of a plan but no plan has been received by the Conservation Commission on this project. This needs to be followed up on.

The South East Land Trust newsletter, the SELT annual report, the latest issue of Town & City magazine and Great Bay Matter's latest issue were passed around for viewing by the members.

Bills:

A bill for (3) NHCC handbooks for the new members and a bill for the cost of laminating the map for Derryfest have been received. Both bills have been previously approved. The bills were given to the Treasurer.

The New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commission annual meeting and conference will be held November 12, 2016 at the Pembroke Academy in Pembroke, NH. Members can sign up for the workshops online. The cost is \$55.00. The cost after Friday the 14th of October will be \$65.00. Paul Dionne made a motion to reimburse DCC members for the cost of the signup fees, to be taken from the Administrative account. Margie Ives seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence has been received from the Beaver Lake Improvement Association. There will be no fall draw down of Beaver Lake this year due to persistent, extreme drought conditions, in order to protect dug wells near the lake. The lake is almost at draw down level at this time. There is no ban on water use in Derry at this time but residents were encouraged to conserve. Residents, who have wells that were dug after 1984, can go to des.nh.gov/onestop website to access information on their wells, such as the depth and the gallons per minute that were recorded at the time of digging.

BF Gardens – Gardening is over at this time. All stakes, fences, labels and mulch must be removed by November 1, 2016. Composting has done well this year with the drought conditions.

Site Review:

Gulf Road - Tax Map 3 Lot 162 – 3 Lot Subdivision – Eric C. Mitchell presented. This property is about 43 acres in size and is located at the intersection of Gulf Rd. and Island Pond Rd. The proposal is to subdivide the property into 3 lots plus the remainder. The new lots would be 3 acres. The remaining property would be about 34 acres. There is a meadow land, on the property that shows no ownership. It was part of Mary Bean's property back in 1800's. The Tax map shows it to be part of the parcel. There was a deed for it that is referenced. This parcel's deed goes around it and the adjacent deeds show the meadow land is there also. After doing research, there is no more info on any type of sale, probate etc. for this meadow land. There is a Prime wetland on the site. TRC has reviewed the plan. TRC has asked for the right of way along Gulf Rd to be widened. The parcel is vacant at this time. No Dredge & Fill permits will be required. DCC will do a site walk October 22nd at 8:00 am.

Tax Deeded properties – The list of Derry tax deeded properties was reviewed. After some discussion, DCC has no interest in any of the properties listed. Paul Dionne made a motion to inform the Town Council that the Conservation Commission has no interest in any of the properties. Eileen Chabot seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The Alan Shepard Project – Margaret Ives has spoken with a Shepard family member, Claudia Shepard. Her response was that the property should only be used for walking, horseback riding and others uses stated in the terms of the easement. She does not want a statue to be erected on the property. Chair, Neil Wetherbee made a motion for DCC to inform the Derry Town Council, that DCC does not recommend the Shepard property be used as part of the Alan Shepard project, based on the terms of the easement agreement and the conversation with Claudia Shepard. Margaret Ives seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Other Business:

Saving Special Places is looking for recommendations from DCC on topics for upcoming programs and speakers. A suggestion was made to do a program on the current drought situation in the State of New Hampshire and also the topic of water conservation.

A new map is needed for Broadview. Doug Rathburn from the IT Dept. recommended laminating the map. He will look into the cost.

According to a newspaper article, an alert was given to the public that tics have disappeared during the drought but they are now re-appearing after a small amount of recent rainfall received.

There will be 24 signs erected before winter for the Robert Frost Scenic Byway.

A welcome was given to the New Town Administrator, David Caron. He will start in December 2016.

Adjournment:

Non-public meeting per RSA 91-A:3 II(e) "Consideration or negotiation of pending claims or litigation which has been threatened in writing or filed by or against the public body or any subdivision thereof, or by or against any member thereof because of his or her membership in such public body, until the claim or litigation has been fully adjudicated or otherwise settled."

Paul Dionne Made a motion to enter into non- public session per RSA. Ric Buzzanga seconded the motion. All members were polled and voted yes, Paul Dionne made a motion to invite Town Council Liaison, Charles Foote to the non-public session. Moved and seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried. The public meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm. and the non-public session began.

Recording Clerk/ Ruth Robinson