



Derry Conservation Commission  
14 Manning St  
Derry, NH 03038

### **Minutes of Public Meeting February 24, 2020**

On February 24, 2020 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: James Degnan, Chair, Ric Buzzanga, William Lowenthal, Grace Reisdorf, Robert Spoerl and Alternate, Justin Mitchell. Eileen Chabot, Margaret Ives, Alternates Paul Dionne, and Ann Marie Chase were absent. Justin Mitchell sat for Margaret Ives.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Ric Buzzanga made a motion to approve the minutes of January 27, 2020. Robert Spoerl seconded the motion. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

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

Notification has been received from the NH Department of Transportation on the availability of the final Environmental Impact Statement/Record of Decision for the Interstate 93, Exit 4-A project. The project can be viewed online. The website is [www.i93exit4a.com](http://www.i93exit4a.com). The info is also available for viewing at the Derry Municipal Center, The Derry Public Library, Londonderry Town Hall and at the Londonderry Leach Library.

### **DES:**

*246 Island Pond Rd* – Tax Map 7/Lot 12.2 – This is a Shoreland Impact permit extension/amendment. The original plan was approved in June 16, 2016. The body of water is Ballard Pond. The original plan was for 14,700 sq. ft. of impact to construct a new residence. The amendment date of the plan is February 10, 2020. This extension to the plan with the amendment will expire June 16, 2021.

*32 Beaver Lake Ave* - Tax Map 51/Lot 66, 66-1, and 66-2. This is a Shoreland Impact permit. The plan is for 2,481 sq. ft. of shoreland impact in order to raze an existing primary structure and rebuild a new primary structure on the parcel. This permit has been approved by DES. A notification has also been received referencing a name change on the plan reflecting the name of the Trust for the owner of the property.

62 Beaver Lake Ave – Tax Map 51/Lot 78 – This is a notification from DES for a Shoreland Impact application, which is about 90 % complete at this time. DCC would like to do a site walk on this parcel before the plan gets finalized by DES. This is a demolish and rebuild of a structure.

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

There was discussion on the Spring Town Wide Cleanup. The cleanup is usually takes place around Earth day, which is April 22<sup>nd</sup>. A tentative date for the clean-up was set this evening. The clean-up date would begin Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> and end on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>.

A Derry resident had questioned why the clean-up isn't held for a 2-week time period. DCC members discussed whether or not to extend the clean-up event to a 2-week time frame instead of 1 week. This would need to be taken up with the Public Works Department to see if they would be able to pick up the trash bags for a 2-week period. A suggestion was made to post signage for the clean-up event at the transfer station referencing the date chosen and that the blue trash bags are available at the transfer station. These things will be looked into and followed up on at the next DCC meeting. The clean-up date will be finalized at the next meeting

Chair, James Degnan recently met with the Derry Town Council and gave them a review of what the Conservation Commission accomplished in 2019. Chair informed the council that DCC has been working on the process of updating the written reports on all the Conservation properties in town. DCC worked along with UNH, using their paperwork as a guide and following their recommendations on keeping these reports in an up-to-date format.

There was discussion with the council on installing road signage that would inform and direct people to the Conservation properties in Derry. A couple of the council members spoke in favor of having signage. DCC discussed this evening getting an action plan started and creating a design for the Conservation property signage. Where should the signs be placed. Should there be a sign at the property itself and a sign off a nearby road guiding people into the property? What type of logo or branding will be used? Ric Buzzanga would like to involve Pinkerton Academy students to help in coming up with a design. Ric will reach out to the Pinkerton Headmaster, Tim Powers on that.

*Broadview Gardens* – Applications for reserving a garden plot will begin April 1, 2020. Gardeners were reminded that they need to sign up each year. Applications can be made online, through email, or by placing a phone call to Conservation Commission Member, William Lowenthal.

### **Other Business:**

We are approaching the wet season now. Chair, James Degnan will contact the Public Works Department about getting their assistance with taking care of some water pooling that is taking place at the Shepard property. The pooling is a result of some work that was done last fall.

**Adjournment:** Grace Reisdorf made a motion to adjourn. Ric Buzzanga seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Recording Clerk/ Ruth Robinson