



Derry Conservation Commission
14 Manning St
Derry, NH 03038

Minutes of Public Meeting April 25, 2016

On April 25, 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, Alternate, Peg Kinsella and Town Council Liaison, Charles Foote. James Degnan, Marius Zainea and Alternate, Brian DeSimone were absent. Peg Kinsella sat for James Degnan.

Acceptance of Minutes:

Paul Dionne made a motion to accept the minutes of 2015 with a word change of resigned to renewed. Ric Buzzanga seconded the motion. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

Chair's Report, Correspondence & Bills:

Correspondence has been received from NH Lakes. "Blue Lake Blue Minds" will be held on June 2nd & June 3rd at the Church Landing, Mills Falls, Meredith. A number of courses will be offered. This information was passed around.

Update on Conservation Activities:

The Astronomy Night held at Broadview last weekend was very impressive. Large telescopes were set up for viewing the sky. Step ladders were in place for children to use to reach the telescopes. The four moons around Jupiter could be seen. Definitely an event to hold again.

Broadview Gardens – To date there are 32 gardeners and 44 plots taken. Peg Kinsella has informed the public through Channel 17 and the Derry News of the present availability of the raised beds that have not been reserved yet. Milkweed and lupines will be planted across the road from the gardens to be used by the pollinators. A suggestion was made to possibly plant another section of milkweed in the area where the former house was and possibly using the planted sections for demonstration. A decision was made to plant both areas.

Go Green:

Liz Carver, Go green Chair, gave an update. The Go Green walks and events for 2016 scheduled so far are:

May 13th –The Super Summer Sampler to be held at Hood School from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

May 21st – Cole Marsh Conservation Walk @ 9:00 am

June 18th Collettes Mountain Conservation Walk @ 9:00 am

(after discussion, the date for Collettes was changed to June 25, 2016 due to the “Relay for Life’ event which is scheduled to be held on June 18th)

DCC assured Liz Carver that trails at Cole Marsh are in good condition and ready for the walk. DCC will inspect Collettes Mountain on the conditions there and report back to Liz.

July – The J & F Tractor Tour- (no exact day mentioned yet)

August – Plans are in the works to hold a “Movie in the Park Event”

The Go Green Litter pick-up Event was attended by around 80 adults and over 200 bags of litter were picked up.

Paula Frank has been paying the cost of the Go Green website. The cost is \$10.00 a month for hosting and \$20.00 a year for the domain. Total = \$140.00 a year. In the near future, Paula will be moving on from Go Green, leaving DCC to pick up the cost.

Go Green recently held a seed swap. The seeds that were left over will be brought to the Derry Public Library. Kara Barlow, DPL Director, will set up a seed case in the Library. There was discussion on making a seed bank and possibly have any donations made, to go to Go Green. Liz will bring this seed bank idea back to the Go Green Committee members for further discussion.

Go Green is in need of a larger format printed map, to use at the clean-up events to highlight and assign streets. A 2 foot x 3 foot, laminated map is preferred, so that it can be used and re-used at each clean-up event. A suggestion was made to have the Conservation areas highlighted on the map also. This will be looked into with the IT Department.

Go Green would like to plant a perennial garden at Broadview. DCC suggested planting the garden to the left side of the stone wall.

Other Business:

Derryfest – Paul Dionne made a motion to pay up to \$100.00 ~~a booth~~ for the Go Green and DCC booths combined at Derryfest. Eileen Chabot seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The next Go Green meeting is May 12, 2016.

A new map is needed at Broadview and at Corneliussen off of English Range Rd.

Margie Ives is working on the Land Steward assignments. The list to date is as follows.

Eileen Chabot will steward for Webber, Gulf Rd. and Low
Ric Buzzanga- Corneliussen and Gagnon

Paul Dionne - Martin, Rutter and Ferdinando
Margie Ives – Town forest, Martin, Rutter and Caras Properties
Peg Kinsella – Quail Hill
Neil Wetherbee - Cole Marsh

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. The motion carried.

Paul Dionne made a motion to invite Town Council Liaison Charles Foote to the Non- public. Eileen Chabot seconded the motion. All members were polled and voted yes. Motion carried.

- 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."
- Non-public meeting per RSA 91-A:3 II(c) "Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting."

Adjournment:

The Public meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm and the Non-public meeting began.

Recording Clerk/ Ruth Robinson