



Derry Conservation Commission
14 Manning St
Derry, NH 03038

Minutes of Public Meeting September 24, 2018

On September 24, 2018 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, Eileen Chabot, Margaret Ives, William Lowenthal, Grace Reisdorf, Robert Spoerl and Alternate, Paul Dionne. Alternates, David Hernandez and William Ventura were absent. Town Council Liaison, Neil Wetherbee was present.

Approval of Minutes:

Margaret Ives made a motion to approve the minutes of September 10, 2018. Grace Reisdorf seconded the motion. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

Chair's Report, Correspondence & Bills:

DES:

Expedited Permit Request: 1 Jenney Dickey Hill Tax Map 52 Lot 003. This was on the agenda for this evening's meeting, but it was taken off the agenda. No discussion.

28 Coles Grove Rd. – Tax Map 50 Lot 51018 – Notification has been received from DES that an application has been received and accepted on this parcel.

7 Escumbuit Rd. – Tax Map 16 Lot 20 – Notification has been received from DES that an application has been received and accepted on this parcel.

A reminder was given of The New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions Workshop, which will be held on November 3rd. DCC members who wish to attend, should sign up and obtain a receipt for reimbursement.

Update on Conservation Activities:

Invasive Species Update- The Invasive Species spraying that was scheduled to take place at the transfer station was cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. The spraying date has been re-scheduled for October 1, 2018.

Derryfest – Lots of good feedback was received from citizens. The supply of maps ran out early in the day. There were lots of questions and discussion on (Japanese Knotweed) Invasive Species. There weren't any new Land Stewards that signed up, but current Land Stewards did check in.

T-Shirts – A request has been made with the previous vendor for 50 pieces of made in the USA T-Shirts. The cost per shirt for the last order was \$8.50. The cost is now \$9.00 per shirt. The order would take 4 to 5 days once placed. Chair is awaiting a cost from a second vendor to compare prices.

Broadview Gardens – A sign has been installed at the gardens asking gardeners to have everything removed by November 1st. There is no on-site disposal of trash. Chair sent a thank you letter from the commission to the Eagle Scout that built the bridge at Broadview. DCC has received from the scout a donation of surplus in the amount of \$122.20 left over from his bridge build.

The Plexiglas on the sign is broken at the trail entrance on Drew Rd. Broadview also needs to have the Plexiglas replaced. Measurements need to be taken. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Rockingham Rail Trail – A notification given by a citizen who has been picking up trash, roughly 3 bags full every other week.

Corneliusen – There are no recent signs of any ATV activity. The trail is washed out near Holiday Ave.

Cole Marsh – The trail is in good shape. No signs of ATV use. There is a wet section a couple miles in from the Damren Rd. entrance. The marsh off the Valley Rd. entrance was reported to be higher than ever.

Willow Ave. – There is no signage. The access needs to be made noticeable. This could be a future scout project.

There is a scout that has observed the Eagle Scout project recently performed at Broadview on the bridge. That scout is showing interest in doing a similar bridge project at the Doolittle property.

NSCS NRCS is looking for an easement report on the Corneliusen property. They have not received a report since 2015.

Some of the signs and entrances at the Conservation properties are overgrown with greenery and brush. Derry Public Works should be notified if the growth is too abundant to be taken down with hand tools and would require the removal to be done by power tools.

Go Green:

The fall clean-up kicks off October 6th at the Coffee Factory at 9:00 am. The clean-up lasts for a week. Blue trash bags will be provided. Blue bags may also be obtained at the Derry transfer station, ask at the office.

Non- Public:

Margaret Ives made a motion to enter into non -public per RSA 91-A: 3-II (d). William Lowenthal seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor. 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."

Margaret Ives made a motion to invite Town Council Liaison, Neil Wetherbee to the non-public session. Grace Reisdorf seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The public meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm and the non-public session began.
Recording Clerk/Ruth Robinson