

Derry Conservation Commission 14 Manning St Derry, NH 03038

Minutes of Public Meeting September 27, 2021

On September 27, 2021, the Derry Conservation Commission met at the Derry Municipal Center, 3rd floor meeting room at 7:00 pm. The following members were present in person: James Degnan (Chair), Eileen Chabot, Grace Reisdorf, Mariel Capulli, Bob Boonstra, Will Lowenthal. Justin Mitchell attended via Zoom. Following members were absent; Rick Buzzanga, Bob Spoerl, and Margie Ives.

Bob Boonstra sat for Rick Buzzanga. Mariel Capulli sat for Margie Ives.

Approval of Minutes:

Mariel Capulli notes an edit to remove Margie Ives from Present.

Bob Boonstra motions to approve the minutes from 8/13/21 with amendment. Grace Reisdorf seconds. Mariel Capulli abstains. All in favor. Motion carries.

Chair's Report, Correspondence & Bills:

DES Notice – 32 North Shore Rd Tax Map 56 Lot 59. Shoreland Permit Reviewed. Additional Information needed.

Plan Follow Up:

112 North Shore Rd Tax Map 18 Lot 1 and 1-1 Craig Francisco Bedford Design Consultants

Craig Francisco reminds board that this project is a lot line adjustment that creates 3 additional building lots. Craig advises that original plan to have access to each building lot via the woods road has changed. The lot on North Shore Rd will have an independent driveway across from Taylor Brook Lane. Lots will still be over 5 acres with no proposed wetland impacts. Chair briefly reviewed site walk conditions. Eileen Chabot was also present with presenter and chair. Chair noted that proposed road design had the least amount of impact to the area. Chair noted that on the site walk a potential home will be placed near Test Pit 3. Chair described to the board that between sheets 1 and 2 in this location there is a 100 year flood plain. Discussions on site centered around a sensible buffer but still giving applicants client a view. Eileen Chabot noted that a 20-25' buffer from wetland would be preferred. Eileen Chabot noted that there are two large pines that we would prefer to keep intact. Commission requested that trees

over 15" DBH within 25' of the wetland be retained under a no cut buffer. Craig Francisco advised that the request is acceptable and will be noted on the plan. The note specifically applies to Lot 18-001-2. Chair asked if there will be a gate or termination where the current woods road will no longer be used. Craig Francisco advised there is no plan to implement one at this time. Eileen Chabot asked for clarification on a vernal pool seen onsite. Chair advised that the location of the vernal pool appears to be in the area on the plan marked as wetland. Commission was reminded that we received a wetlands declaration letter from Luke Hurley of Gove; whom delineated the wetland.

Bob Boonstra motions for the chair to sign the plan with the condition of a 25' no cut restriction on lot 18-001-2 for trees over 15" DBH. Mariel Capulli Seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

Plan Follow up:

East View Dr, Stone Leigh Drive, Jewell Lane Map 6 Lots 86 and 86-15 Tim Peloquin Promised Land Survey

Prior to presenter arriving in the Zoom Room; chair noted site was walked by Chair, Will Lowenthal, Eileen Chabot, and Tim Peloquin. Both crossings off Jewell Lane were viewed in person. Chair noted a request was made at site walk to have the wetlands permit made available prior to tonight's meeting. That permit came in the afternoon of the tonight's meeting date.

Mark West (West Environmental) is presenting on Tim Peloquin's behalf. Mark West flagged this parcel in the fall of 2020. Mark West noted that this parcel slopes from the West to the East in the direction of the Ballard Town Forest. This wetland system contains small streams. The project proposal includes two stream crossings. Mark West noted most of the material had been created but there is still a drainage analysis pending for both culverts ensuring compliance to 50yr storm. Mark West noted no vernal pools present within the area. The driveway crossings are off shoots of a small stream. Mark West noted the crossings are using headwalls. Mark West noted that due to the lot qty proposed they must apply for a minor permit vs a minimum permit under the new guidelines. This design includes 30' culverts. Mark West noted that once drainage analysis is complete the culverts may shorten as it is likely over designed currently. Mark West switched from the plan set to an aerial image to better showcase drainage. Will Lowenthal and Eileen Chabot both advised they want to see a completed wetland permit prior to voting on this project's approval. Board was softly polled, and majority preferred to wait to formalize vote. Bob Boonstra asked about time frame for applicants to get all documentation together prior to presenting. Chair advised that during application process it can be a moving target and during site walks and discussions things can change effecting the Wetland Permit Application. Further discussions will be had with applicants prior to submitting plans to the Conservation Commission.

Other Conservation Activities

Derry Fest- Commission manned a booth during Derry Fest. Members present felt it was a great event and we will continue to support Derry Fest.

Meeting of the Conservation Commissions-Chair, Eileen Chabot, and Will Lowenthal attended the regional meeting of the Conservation Commissions. Will Lowenthal noted it was a good meeting and it was great to see additional perspectives and seeing how others are engaging with the community. Perhaps an opportunity to work with Parks and Rec to create similar events. Potential to have some outreach to Mountain Bike Groups for support in trail maintenance.

Grinnell Farm- Chair was asked to confirm access as signage is up for no parking and there is a board across the pedestrian access. Chair noted that the parcel is fully accessible. The man gate was blocked but a letter states that horses are currently requested to stay off path while stabilization work is underway. Chair advised parcel is also still accessible from Robert Frost Farm.

Town Forest- Chair noted he walked the parcel tip to tip prior to a sitewalk this week. We have been recently asked by a resident for access off Olsen Rd. Chair noted that the location is over grown off Olsen rd and there is no parking off the road. Chair noted that there is an older woods road beyond the overgrowth but the parcel as a whole does not contain a trail system. Will Lowenthal reminds the public that all tree stands must be removed at the end of the season.

Clean Up Week- Fall Clean up not scheduled this year; looking forward to 2 events in 2022.

NHACC- Annual meeting is November 6th from 8:30 to 12:40. Cost is 35 per person.

Will Lowenthal motions \$35 per person from the Administrative account for Commissioners who attend the NHACC Conference. Grace Reisdorf Seconds. All in Favor. Motion Carries.

Broadview Farm- Mariel reported multiple blowdowns at Broadview on the trail to Cross Road. Chair talked with Allen Cote from DPW about ensuring CC Members are covered if doing work with power equipment. Will verify prior to next meeting.

<u>Motion to Adjourn:</u> Grace Reisdorf motions to adjourn. Will Lowenthal seconds. All in favor. Motion Carries.

Meeting Adjournment 8:04pm	
Recorder: James Degnan	