

Derry Conservation Commission 14 Manning St. Derry, NH 03038

## Minutes of Public Meeting February 25, 2013

On February 25, 2013 at 7:30 pm, the Derry Conservation Commission met in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor meeting room of the Derry Municipal Center.

The following members were present: Ric Buzzanga, James Degnan, Paul Doolittle, Beverly Ferrante, Margaret Ives, Chair, Marianne Page, Richard Tripp and Dennis Wiley. Jim Arruda, Paul Dionne and Peg Kinsella, were absent. Richard Tripp sat for Jim Arruda. James Degnan sat for Paul Dionne.

## **Acceptance of Minutes:**

Ric Buzzanga made a motion to accept the minutes of February 11, 2013. Dennis Wiley seconded the motion. Richard Tripp, Marianne Page and Beverly Ferrante abstained. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

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

<u>Des:</u> Chair has received a report from DES. An application for 1016 Collette's Grove was sent to DES. There is missing information which must be submitted.

The DCC has received an invitation to Saving Special Places Annual Conference. It will be held at the John Starke Regional High School in Weare, NH on April 6, 2013 from 8:00 am to 3:45 pm. DCC members are asked to call UNH at 862-1029 before March 29<sup>th</sup>, or notify the chair at the next conservation meeting (March 11) If they would like to attend.

A newsletter called "The Source" by DES, NH Drinking Water was passed around. The newsletter contained and article about NH ground water. According to a US Geological Survey, NH ground water is getting saltier. The highest levels of chloride and sodium were found in Rockingham and Strafford Counties. The greatest use of these chemicals is to manage and prevent roads and parking lots from icing. Other sources of sodium and chloride concentrations include septic systems, outdoor salt storage

and application to driveways, all which discharge into wetlands and lakes. The newsletter also contained information on Federal grant funding available through the Department of Transportation. It is a water supply, land protection grant program. There is still over (2 million dollars) available. The next round for grants is in the spring of 2013 for communities affected by the widening of Interstate 93. Derry is one of these communities.

A newsletter has also been received from South East Land Trust which was passed around. It contained an article on wildlife habitat, loss of shrub lands and young forests. It also contained info on the notification to SELT by Conservation Commissions, before doing anything on conservation easements monitored by SELT.

#### Site Review:

23 Lane Rd.- Tax Map/Lot 05-074, Tim Peloquin form Promised Land Survey gave the presentation. This property was 2 lots that were consolidated into one lot years ago. Now the current owner wants to subdivide the property into two lots again. The parcel is approximately 4 ½ acres, mostly flat. There is a small wetland on lot one and a wetland that traverses through the middle draining to the south. *There will be no wetland impact in the proposal.* 

The existing lot dwelling is on lot 23. The new lot will be lot 21. There is plenty of frontage. Construction would be done on the front of the property. The rear of the property does abut the cemetery. It is a portion of the cemetery which is undeveloped at this time. Margie lives is concerned about the location of the site to the cemetery and would like to view the property before signing the plan.

Dennis Wiley made a motion for the chair to sign the plan as presented after she views the site. Beverly Ferrante seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### Site Review:

14 Tsienneto Rd. - Long Beach development, office building, TAX Map/ Lot 08079-005, Dennis Wiley recused himself from this site review. Marianne page sat in for Dennis Wiley.

Chris Nickerson represented the owner, Keith Coviello, from Long Beach Development and Luke Hurley from Gove Environmental Services presented. This is their second meeting with DCC. A site walk was done of the property by DCC February 16, 2013. During the sight walk DCC recommended the plan presenters look into the wildlife habitat that might be in the area. Luke Hurley did some investigation on this and he has come up with documentation in the form of a letter that he passed out to the Conservation members for discussion. He searched for turtle habitat in the area. There isn't much wetland on the site. There is a pool to the east. Most of the area is uplands. There is an open, field type wetland area downstream behind the CLM Building. This is probably where any turtles would nest.

According to the original plan presented, the silt fence would extend along the northerly and southerly borders of the property. Luke recommends and as a good faith effort on the applicant's part, installing the silt fence all around the construction site. This would prevent any turtles from traveling up or down

stream and crossing the construction site. Any extra silt fence added in order to do this would be pulled up once the ground work is done.

Ric Buzzanga made a motion for the chair to sign the plan as previously presented without the extra silt fence. Beverly Ferrante seconded the motion. Ric Buzzanga, Beverly Ferrante, Richard Tripp and James Degnan voted yes. Marianne, Paul Doolittle and Margie Ives voted no. 4-3 Motion carried.

## **Update on Conservation Activities:**

Dennis Wiley is now seated back on the board.

Go Green - The rescheduled snowshoe or nature walk event at Broadview is March 9, 2013 from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Eastern Mountain Sports will have demo snowshoes available for use.

Go Green would like to purchase the movie "**Dirt**" for their annual public movie showing. The movie is about how precious our soils are and how they are being destroyed.

Ric Buzzanga made a motion to pay up to \$125.00 which will be taken from the Administrative Account, for Go Green to purchase the movie "Dirt". Paul Doolittle seconded the motion. All others were in favor. Motion carried. After the showing, the movie will be given to the Derry Public Library.

#### **Other Business:**

A reminder was given for those who would like to attend "Sky Night" at the Derry Public Library. The date is March 13, 2013. Meet in the meeting room at 6:40 pm at the library. Bring binoculars and telescopes.

Ric Buzzanga made a motion to go into non-public per RSA91-A:3(d). Beverly Ferrante seconded the motion. All members were in favor. Motion carried. All members were polled and voted yes. The regular meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Non-public meeting per RSA 91-A:3(d) " consideration of the acquisition or lease of property which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interests are adverse to those of the general community."

James Degnan made a motion to invite Phil Auger to the non-public meeting. Paul Doolittle seconded the motion. All members voted yes. Motion carried.

Ruth Robinson/Clerk