



Derry Conservation Commission
14 Manning St
Derry, NH 03038

Minutes of Public Meeting January 23, 2014

On January 23, 2014 at 7:30 pm, the Derry Conservation Commission met in the 3rd floor meeting room of the Derry Municipal Center.

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

Paul Dionne made a motion to accept the minutes of January 13, 2014. Paul Doolittle seconded the motion. James Degnan abstained. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Chair's Report & Correspondence:

A notice was announced to the public that the Go Green Snowshoe Event scheduled for February 8, 2014 at Broadview Farm will still take place on the same day but the time has changed. Instead of starting at 9:00 am in the morning, the event will start at 12:00 noon and last until 3:00 pm.

A bill of \$1,400.00 is due for an *updated appraisal* on Collette's Mountain, which needed to be done as part of the final gifting process. Paul Dionne made a motion to pay the bill of \$1,400.00 to Craft Appraisal, to be taken from the Administrative Account. Paul Doolittle seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

DES:

25 Taylor Brook Lane – DES received a permit application on this property for construction of a 75 ft. retaining wall along the shoreline of Island Pond. The temporary impact will be 180 sq. ft. There will be no wildlife, flora or fauna impact.

Charleston Place Rd. – Lot # 51096 -January 8, 2014, DES has received a letter of concern from the Town of Derry relative to Charleston Place. This is a dirt road which is about 150 ft. from Beaver Lake. Water

runoff here goes into the lake. DES believes that multiple violations may be occurring as a result of this runoff.

Route 28- The water/sewer project on Rte. 28 by the Town of Derry was completed on December 6, 2013.

Beaver Lake Rd – Tax Map 9/lot 45-003- Dredge & Fill 783 sq. ft. for a Palustrine forested wetland to construct a driveway/ culvert crossing has been approved subject to specific conditions.

6 English Range Rd. – Tax Map 58/lot22 -December 12, 2013 letter of complaint for a drinking water well that had recently been dug on the property. DES with close the file, but suggests no further encroachment of the yard into the adjacent surrounding wetland.

48 Pond Rd. – Tax Map 50/lot 54-This is a follow up from a previous filing. Yard waste placed in the wetlands as fill is a violation. There will be no further dumping of grass clippings, leaves, twigs etc. into the wetland. DES will be monitoring this property.

Kilrea Rd. & Windham Depot Rd. – Improvement work to be done at the intersection by adding left turn lanes on Rte. 28. Drainage and access impact is 15.778 sq. ft. Temporary wetland impact will be 6013 sq. ft. of palustrine wetland.

Derry Public Works Director, Michael Fowler sent a letter to DES referencing the Beaver Lake Dam removal at Pond Rd. & Chester Rd. The work has been completed and that areas of disturbance have been stabilized. Erosion control structures have been removed.

A New Hampshire Association of Natural Resource Scientists invitation has been sent to DCC asking them to join. Annual fee to join is \$20.00. Letter was passed around and chair will look into it further.

A letter has been received from 4-H, (Barry Conservation Camp) which is run through UNH Cooperative Extension requesting DCC to sponsor a child to go to the camp for a week of adventure. DCC did sponsor, a child to go last year whether in full or partial funding. This will be followed up on.

Budget: The normal annual budget amount requested by DCC has been \$5,000.00. The funds are used for signage, bridge repairs, paper, secretarial support, the cost of T-shirts with the Conservation logo etc. and for (subcommittee funding for *Go Green-* brochures for the library, DMC & Derryfest, spring & fall cleanups). The commission decided the same amount would be requested.

Dennis Wiley made a motion to request a \$5000.00 appropriation for the Conservation Annual Budget amount for administrative expenses. Paul Dionne seconded the motion. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

Update on the meeting with Boards & Commissions and the Derry Town Council:

Conservation Chair, Margaret Ives, met with the Derry Town Council last week as part of a workshop with the Boards & Commissions. Some of the things she discussed with the council were: recent activities by the commission, Derry's Master Plan, objectives, goals, possible obstacles, and assistance

from town council. Town Council chair, Michael Fairbanks will be creating a report of the results of the workshop.

Tonight the commission members discussed this same draft that the chair had presented to the council at the Boards & Commissions workshop. They went over each item on the draft, made some changes, additions and edited the draft for final completion. One of the items on the draft under objectives & goals that was discussed is the Open Space Ordinance. In the past, previous work had been done on the ordinance several years ago. Does DCC want to work on the Open Space Ordinance again? James Degnan suggested getting the previous draft of the ordinance and bringing it forward for review by all members before further discussion. Other items on the draft referenced continuing stewardship program for protected properties, continuing Broadview Gardens, hearing development proposals, DES wetland applications, maintaining the trails, bridges, forestry management plan, educating the public more on Derry's natural resources, continuing protection of undeveloped parcels of land, etc. Chair will now compile the changes made to the draft as a result of tonight's discussions and create a new draft for presentation to the commission at the next meeting.

The Derry Conservation Commission members took assignments to act as monitors for the protected properties. See chart below for this year's assignments.

Broadview	Marianne Page, Paul Doolittle
Cole Marsh	Margaret Ives
Collette's Mountain	Dennis Wiley
Corneliusen	Ric Buzzanga
Donohue	Margie Ives
Doolittle	Paul Doolittle
Ferdinando	Paul Dionne
Gagnon	Paul Dionne, James Degnan
Gulf Stream trail	Jim Arruda, Beverly Ferrante
Grinnell	Dennis Wiley
Jackman	Paul Dionne, James Degnan
Low	Dennis Wiley
Martin	Paul Dionne, Margaret Ives
Quail Hill	Peg Kinsella
Rutter	Margaret Ives, Paul Dionne
Shepard Park	Richard Tripp
Town Forest	Margaret Ives
Weber Forest	Paul Dionne, James Degnan,
Zarba	Margaret Ives, Paul Dionne
DCC Website, GIS Mapping	James Degnan
Scout Projects	Dennis Wiley

Conservation Activities:

Japanese Knotweed - Richard Tripp presented the draft copy of a brochure he has been working on for Japanese Knotweed. It contains info on identifying the species, controlling it and what not to do with Japanese Knotweed. The brochure includes pictures of the knotweed that is growing at the Derry

transfer station. He would like to take more pictures for the brochure of the same knotweed in the spring time to show what it looks like at different times of the year. Points of contact for the public were listed in the brochure. Richard will send a copy to Doug Cygan.

Adjournment:

Paul Dionne made a motion to adjourn at 8:55 pm. James Degnan seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. The Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Clerk/Ruth Robinson