



Derry Conservation Commission
14 Manning St
Derry, NH 03038

Minutes of Public Meeting April 14, 2014

On April 14, 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: Ric Buzzanga, James Degnan, Paul Dionne, Eileen Chabot, Margaret Ives, Chair, and Dennis Wiley. Absent - Jim Arruda Peg Kinsella, Marianne Page, Richard Tripp and Paul Doolittle. James Degnan sat for Paul Doolittle.

A welcome was given to newly appointed commission member, Eileen Chabot.

Acceptance of Minutes:

Paul Dionne made a motion to accept the minutes of March 24, 2014. Ric Buzzanga seconded the motion. James Degnan and Eileen Chabot abstained. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Election of officers:

Chair- Ric Buzzanga made a motion to nominate Margaret Ives as Chair. Paul Dionne seconded the motion. Margaret Ives abstained from the vote. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

Vice chair – Ric Buzzanga made a motion to nominate Paul Dionne as Vice Chair. James Degnan seconded the motion. Paul Dionne abstained from the vote. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer – Ric Buzzanga made a motion to nominate Eileen Chabot as Treasurer. Paul Dionne seconded the motion. Eileen Chabot abstained from the vote. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

Chair's Report & Correspondence:

Thank you to Beverly Ferrante for all the years that you served as a Derry Conservation Commission member.

There will be a Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission meeting April 24th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. put on by the Natural Resources Advisory committee on how to achieve goals for a wetlands program, the permitting process etc. to be held at the SNHPC in Manchester.

Energy, Environmental Advisory Committee will hold a presentation at the Derry Public Library April 26th from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. The event is free. Tom Minon will give the presentation referencing Heating/ Energy etc.

The planned date for Derryfest is September 20th this year. A reminder was given for Hazardous waste day May 3rd from 9:00 am to 12:00 at west Running Brook School.

DES will sponsor a "*Natural Drinking Water Source Protection Conference*" at the Grappone Conference Center in Concord April 30, 2014.

Site Review:

70 Fordway - Tax map/Lot 240005- Tim Peloquin, Promised Land Survey represented Keystone Builders. The proposal is for a multi-family (14 units) to be built on the corner of Fordway, Kendall Pond Rd. and Pinehurst Ave. There is an old empty house on the lot right now. There is no wetland impact but the area is in a ground water recharge district and an aquifer protection zone. After soil testing in the area, according to soil scientist Peter Schauer, who performed the tests, Peter feels that the area has been inappropriately mapped and that the area is not in an aquifer protection zone according to his soil test results. The lot coverage is 43%. Only 30% is required. There will be a subsurface groundwater infiltration system in the back that will collect storm water runoff which will infiltrate into the ground thereby recharging the aquifer. TRC wanted an overflow for the infiltration system. Catch basins will be installed, one of which (catch basin #3) will connect into another catch basin #4 about 264 feet up the road on Pinehurst St. and empties into a catch basin across the street. DCC would like to see oil separators in the parking lot catch basin before it goes into the infiltration system. The separators will require cleanout/maintenance etc.

Paul Dionne made a motion for the chair to sign the plan with the recommended notations made:

1. Peter Schauer will put into writing his statement of the property is not in an aquifer protection zone.
2. Oil separators will be used in the parking lot drains.
3. Hay will be used instead of straw
4. The final discharge point of the last catch basin.

Dennis Wiley seconded the motion. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

Dredge & Fill:

25 Taylor Brook Lane – Tax Map/ Lot 18/26 - Repair an existing 75 linear feet of retaining wall during drawdown with no changes in configuration on Island Pond Rd.

11 Water St. -Tax Map/ Lot 50/31 "Disqualification Notice " for a seasonal dock. Review of the tax map indicates the applicant does not have the minimum average shoreline frontage of 75 feet. The owner has been contacted.

Public Service of New Hampshire, GZA Environmental Inc:

The work area is a 6 mile stretch of power lines from the Scobie Pond Rd Substation to the Town of Chester. The R193 line will be rebuilt and a new A184 line will be added. Sherry Trefrey, from GZA who represented PSNH was present for a follow up visit. DCC had been presented the plan at a previous meeting and has now done a site walk. A permit has been filed with DES and a Conditional Use Permit has been filed with the Town of Derry. The plan will go to the Derry Planning Board April 16, 2014. The temporary wetland impact is 27,725 sq. ft. and the permanent impact is 1060 sq. ft. the majority of the 1060 sq. ft. of permanent impact is 960 sq. ft. for a terminal yard. The proposed start date of rebuilding the R193 line is June 2014 through the fall of 2014. Construction of the new R193 line is January 2015. (winter construction). NH Fish & Game wants structures to be cut off at the base not pulled out, seasonal avoidance of endangered species and for spotters (Certified Wetland Scientists) to be in place in front of the equipment with any work performed between October 2014 and March 2015. The spotters will advise with wetland matting and erosion controls etc. There is no report yet on any archeological findings.

DCC is concerned about hunters in the area during hunting season, the wildlife corridor, disturbance of the deer in the rut, and would like correspondence to take place with the Hunting Division of the Fish & Game Department in reference to possible avoidance of any hot spots or any suggestions that they may have.

Update on Conservation activities:

There will be a South East Water Shed Alliance Meeting at the Chester Town Hall April 16, 2014 at 6:30 Pm.

Broadview Gardens – There have been many applicants calling to reserve the garden plots this year. There have been more calls than there are plots available. There was talk about possible expansion.

Go Green:

The Fish & Game Bobcat presentation was well attended. The recycling display is now set up at the library. Go green has plans to set up a booth at Hood School function on April 16th and at a Parks & Recs event. Go Green is in need of materials for these events.

Paul Dione made a motion to spend up to \$50.00 for these materials needed by Go Green, to be taken from the Administrative Account. James Degnan seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

May 12 – Joint meeting with the Derry Garden Club, Go Green and Doug Cygan. The meeting will be televised.

May 17th - Invasives Species Day removal at Shepard park 9:00 am , MAY 31ST - Composting Workshop at Broadview.

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.”

Adjournment:

Paul Dionne made a motion to enter non-public session per RSA 91-A:3(d). James Degnan seconded the motion. All members were polled and voted yes. Motion carried. The regular meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

James Degnan made a motion to invite Town Councilor Liaison, Tom Cardon to the non-public session. Ric Buzzanga seconded the motion. All members were polled and voted yes. Motion carried.

Clerk/Ruth Robinson