



Derry Conservation Commission
14 Manning St
Derry, NH 03038

Minutes of Public Meeting April 13, 2015

On April 13, 2015 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: Margaret Ives, Chair, Ric Buzzanga, Eileen Chabot, Paul Dionne, Serge Michaud, and Alan Camuso. Alternates, Peg Kinsella, Marianne Page and Neil Wetherbee were present. Council liaison Tom Cardon also attended. Peg Kinsella sat for James Degnan.

Election of Officers:

Eileen Chabot made a motion to nominate Margaret Ives as Chair. Peg Kinsella seconded the motion. Margie Ives abstained. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

Margie Ives made a motion to nominate Paul Dionne as Vice Chair. Ric Buzzanga seconded the motion. Paul Dionne abstained. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

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

James Degnan has been seated and Peg Kinsella went back to her alternate seat.

Thanks were given to former members Jim Arruda, Dennis Wiley and Richard Tripp for their years of service.

Acceptance of Minutes:

Paul Dionne made a motion to accept the minutes of March 30, 2015 as written with a correction to the words (Greenpeace) in the first sentence under Chair's Report. Eileen Chabot seconded the motion. All others were in favor.

Motion carried.

Chair's Report, Correspondence & Bills:

Former Conservation Commission member, Richard Tripp – 44 Windham Rd. was in the audience. He spoke on be-half of the VFW. They would like to know if they could use the fire pit at Broadview Farm on June 13, 2015 for a flag retiring ceremony. The Flag disposal box at the transfer station is emptied by

the VFW weekly. They now have collected 400 to 500 flags. A fire permit will be obtained from the Derry Fire Dept. Any residue will be cleaned up after the ceremony.

Richard Tripp, also spoke of recently attending The Special Places Conference. He was able to obtain a lot of information on easement monitoring. He will pass the information on to DCC and presentation to the Land Stewards. A date for this presentation will be looked into.

Go Green:

Go Green meets at the Derry Municipal Center the second Thursday of every month in room #207 at 7:00 pm. A presentation was given by Liz Carver and Judy Follo. They are a sub- committee of the Derry Conservation Commission.

GO GREEN SCHEDULE FOR 2015:

February the snowshoe event went well.

April – There will be a Go green display in the Derry Public Library

April 18th to the 25th is the town wide spring cleanup. The day begins at Broadview Farm with a collection contest for the kids. Anyone that would like to help with the cleanup or is looking for someone to collect with, was asked to contact Lia Carver at liz@go-green-derry.org . Liz also does the tracking. Blue bags for trash are available at the transfer station. Residents were asked to call the Derry Public Works Department at 432-6144 for pickup of the filled bags in their area.

April 29th – There will be a lecture held at the Library called "Living Cooler and Smarter." Go Green will sponsor the lecture along with the Environmental Energy Advisory Committee. John Rogers, a speaker from the Union of Concerned Scientists will speak on practical steps for low carbon living.

May 2nd – Paula Frank and Judy Follo are Certified Early Education Facilitators for Project Learning Tree. They will be conducting a workshop at the Quarry Brook Nature Center in Windham, NH.

May 15th – Go Green will be set up at the Super Summer Sampler Event to be held at Hood School. This event is put together by Derry Recreation and is made up of non-profits and different groups and agencies in town.

May 16th – Land Stewards Invasive Species Day at Shepard at 9:00 am. Parking will be available at the Upper Village Hall.

May- Rain Barrel Workshop and Seed Swap Event. Date to be determined.

June 20th Cole Marsh Walk

July 11th Collette's Mountain Walk

July -J & F Farm Tour - date to be determined

August – Boys and Girls Clubs Event - This event will educate kids on watershed awareness. They will visit Manter Brook along with the Stream Team members from Pinkerton and they will visit the Doolittle Property. Date to be determined.

August 15th – Low Property Walk

September 12th – Corneliusen Walk

September 19th – Derryfest booth to be set up alongside DCC

October – Volunteer Fair at Pinkerton

October 3-10th – Fall town wide cleanup

November – Library display, America Recycles Day
November 14th – Documentary Screening (in Progress)
December – Agenda setting for 2016

Update on Conservation Activities:

Broadview Farm Gardens – There are 6 gardeners that have reserved plots so far. Peg Kinsella is the contact person. Her contact info is on the Derry website.

Other Business:

Paul Dionne made a motion to pay up to \$75.00, to be taken from the Administrative account, for name plates for the new commission members. James Degnan seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Ashley Dr. – DCC had previously given permission for tree clearing on the site. Recently, heavy equipment, drainage pipes and silt fence has been observed. DCC would like to have Code Enforcement Officer Bob Mackey look into the actions being taken there.

There was mention of the cleanup of the Maple St. fire site. Citizens are asking if there will be any harmful effects to the water from standing debris and when will the cleanup be done?

There were discussions on roadside trash and the town wide cleanups and a reminder was given to all to be mindful of litter.

Non Public:

Non-public meeting per RSA 91-A:3(d & e) “ 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.”

Paul Dionne made a motion to enter into Non Public per RSA. Ric Buzzanga seconded the motion. All members were polled and voted yes. Motion carried.

Margie Ives made a motion to invite Council Liaison, Tom Cardon and the alternate members, Peg Kinsella, Marianne Page and Neil Wetherbee. Paul Dionne seconded. All members were polled and voted yes. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm and the Non-Public Session began.

Recording Clerk/ Ruth Robinson