

HUDSON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
DATE May 10, 2010

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A regular meeting of the Hudson Conservation Commission (HCC) was held on May 10, 2010 in the Community Development Conference Room of Town Hall. Chairman Timothy Quinn presided

Members of the Commission present S Rumbaugh, Ken Dickinson, James Battis, Michelle Champion, E Mercer (alternate), Suellen Quinlan, and Timothy Quinn
 Members of the Commission absent: Timothy Nawrocki, Linda Kipnes (arrived at 7:33)
 Member of Town Staff absent: Gary Webster, Town Engineer - excused
 Board of Selectman Representative present: K Massey

Seating of Alternates: E Mercer for L Kipnes

1. Public Input Related to Non-Agenda Items

None – Closed at 7:12 PM

2. OLD BUSINESS

Dredge & Fill Application for 15 Heron Pond Way – After the Fact; Map 249 Lot 002
 Non appearance by owner – Selectman Massey to speak with the Assistant Town Administrator on Code Enforcement

Dredge and Fill Application 12 Campbello Street, Map 173, Lot 019 – Dock Permit on the Merrimack River

Non appearance by owner – Selectman Massey to speak with the Assistant Town Administrator on Code Enforcement

3. NEW BUSINESS

None

4. OTHER BUSINESS

1) Entrance Sign at Town Forest

T Quinn observed the sign and it is in need of some restoration. Also the sign is not visible from the road because of brush present in front of the sign on both sides. Also, brush has overgrown the viable parking area. Action: T Quinn find out contact at Alvirne High School Forestry Class. Pursue interest in performing the work.

Brush has blocked line of sight between signs. Site walk scheduled for Sunday, May 23 at 1:00PM.

2) 2010 Lake Host Program. Motion to send a memo to BOS to place on the May 25, 2010 agenda to accept the Lake Host program Grants.

Motion by: S Quinlan

Second by: M Champion

Vote: 7 to 0 in favor

Include description of the grant and purpose.

3) Ottarnic Pond Donations Transfer to Other (4559) Account per BOS 3/23/2010

This was a transfer from the general account to the Conservation Commission Fund

4) Watershed Study

Work in Process.

5) Robinson Pond (VLAP)

Pond Closure for treatment – Selectman Massey to pursue options for closing the boat ramp (Jersey barriers, e.g.).

Permit document – missing pages 2 and 4.

K Massey to ask Betty Holt for complete copy to be e-mailed to ConCom.

T Quinn to coordinate activity with K Burns

6) Open Space Plan

Workshop Scheduled for May 25

7) NH Lakes Weed Control Grant Program

Public hearing to accept \$5000 Grant is scheduled for May 25 BOS meeting

8) Aquatic –Robinson Pond – Equipment for treatment of Invasive Plants

9) Ottarnic Pond Donations (Account 2060-396) Balance as of February 2010 is \$1049.98)

10) By-Law Regulations

Is pending review by Attorney Buckley

Financial Status

Treasurer's Report - \$47K expenditure was to cut the check to clear the encumbrance.

Expenditure Report – Use of funds for Interns. ConCom to address at next meeting

Correspondence

DES Letter of April 29, 2010: NH DES File # 2009-02507; Hudson Tax Map 207 lot 4.

Send letter to planning board expressing concerns of run-off into the wetlands as a result of housing and driveway locations which have not been seen by the ConCom – T Quinn. Future Wetland Special Exception motions will include a stipulation defining the extent of the review performed.

Approval of April 12 Minutes

Motion to Approve as Amended by: J Battis

Second: L Kipnes

Vote in Favor 7 – 0

Non Agenda Item: Prime Wetlands:

Hand- out by S Rumbaugh –

Definition of “Impact” - The effect of increasing buffer from 50 feet to 100 feet requires a variance.

Handout to be used for presentation document for June 2 Planning Board Meeting.

Can maps be provided to Planning Board for 17 selected Prime Wetlands? S Rumbaugh will obtain maps.

Schedule to be distributed by S Rumbaugh.

M Champion – exempt lot 18A? Workshop Meeting Minutes (April 20) states that it would be included. S Quinlan – leaving it in complicates the process to remove it to accommodate the “circumferential roadway”. Requires vote of the town in a special election. K Massey – expect 3 to 4 members of the planning board will not support the Prime Wetlands ordinance going to the public vote.

Review of Other Town ordinances to be given to S Rumbaugh in two Weeks (May 24)

Commissioners Comments:

S Rumbaugh: Need to interact with Benson Committee on wetlands issues.

M Champion - Wetlands crossings may be needed.

Site Walk Saturday (May 15) about 1:00 to review/walk areas.

L Kipnes- Space at Old Homes Days? Will apply for space. Will share manning with Green Team.

Green Tip – put foam pads behind light Switches.

E Mercer – Proceeding with DASH effort.

Motion to enter non-public session: S Quinlan

Vote 7 – 0 in favor

Motion to adjourn public session

Motion by J Battis

Second by L Kipnes

Vote: 7 – 0 in Favor

Meeting adjourned 9:45.

T Quinn, Chairman