



TOWN OF HUDSON

Conservation Commission



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HUDSON CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES DATE May 9, 2011

MEETING MINUTES:

Below is a listing of minutes for the Hudson Conservation Commission. Minutes are not a verbatim record of each meeting, but rather represent a summary of the discussion and actions taken at the meeting. All Conservation Commission meetings are televised live and repeated during the following week on HCTV, cable television channel 22. Official copies of the minutes are available to read and copy at the Town Engineer's Office during regular business hours (Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.). Should you have any questions concerning these minutes or wish to see the original recording, please contact the Town Engineer's Office at 603-886-6008. A regular meeting of the Hudson Conservation Commission (HCC) was held in the Community Development Conference Room of Town Hall.

Members of the Commission present J Bates, P Dubay, K Dickinson, T Quinn, S Rumbaugh, T Nawrocki, R Friedburg,

Members of the Commission absent:

Member of Town Staff present: N Lamoureux (excused), L Kipnes (arrived at 7:28), J Lemieux (excused)

Board of Selectman Representative present:

Seating of Alternates: T Nawrocki for N Lamoureux: R Friedburg for L Kipnes

I. PUBLIC INPUT RELATED to NON-AGENDA ITEMS

A. None

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. Map 229, 234 & 235; Lots 038, 039 & 040; 282, 284 & 286 Lowell Road

1. Wetlands Special Exception

No one present; - Deferred

III. NEW BUSINESS

None

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Prime Wetlands

1. Discussion between T Quinn and Shaun Jasper: The Board of Selectmen has not issued any directive to halt Condom activity on Prime wetlands
2. He advises that we take no action relative to changing wetlands ordinances until tee legislation before the Congress in Concord has been settled.
The ConCom concurred

B. Open Space Plan

1. T Quinn has contacted the Assessor's office, and they are willing to research the developed/ undeveloped properties in the plan. T Quinn will provide them with an Access database; L Kipnes will contact M Champion for a disc of the plan and provide it to K Dickinson.

C. Management of Conservation Funds

1. The Finance Office will provide a report that shows the Land Use Change Tax Account separately.
2. Will not create a separate account.
3. T Quinn – need to rectify the Land Use Change Tax Account. Will get with K Carpentier. To find a solution.
4. Change of Banks: R Friedburg – Funds are invested in collateralized loans to preserve the principal. Consequently, the yield is low. The priority is to preserve the principal

D. Stewardship of Conserved Lands

1. Site walk of the Musquash Conservation Area was conducted on May 1, with P Dubay, J Battis, K Dickinson, L Kipnes and T Quinn of the Conservation Commission. Also present were M Champion, J Quinn and? Dubay with two sons.
2. Overall the trails were in good condition.
3. Problems existed however with a deteriorated bridge, two large trees across the trails, an unremoved hunting stand, a couch deposited near the entrance. And some damage to the kiosk. There is a small stream with no bridge. Sandra, on a separate walk, observed an open space with a large number of discarded beer cans.
4. The Historic Foundation is infested with invasive plants.
5. K Dickinson reported that subsequent to the site walk PSNH clear cut under the power lines, leaving slash on the trails and destroying the markers, making the trails difficult to identify. Proposes that we reroute the trail to avoid the power lines. The proposed trail will provide a better view of the pond. Will need to clear a trail. T Quinn will walk the proposed with K Dickinson at a date to be determined.
6. Action: T Quinn put a cleanup and restoration plan for the Community Development Office to authorize. Needs Commission Comments, and photos taken. Also need to determine how the cleanup will be staffed.

7. P Dubay has potentially an Eagle Scout to work in the area.
8. S Rumbaugh – There are grants available for trail work for the next fiscal year.
9. Site Walk for Parker reserve set for May 17 at 6:00 PM
10. Schedule Workshop for May 26 – action T Quinn

E. Discussion of Acquisition of Property

1. Discussion with Shaun Jasper. There was no discussion at the BOS meetings relative to land acquisitions.
2. There was a discussion about a potential property, favorable to being a conserved area. Deferred to non – public session.

V. FINANCIAL STATUS:

A. Treasurers Report and Cash Flow

1. Report shows \$110 expended, \$28.36 earned interest
2. Receipt of \$250 Donation for Robinson Pond Dash Unit Expenses
3. Report that funds were put into the “Hudson Ponds Donation Account”
4. There appears that a separate account has not yet been established for Robinson Pond. T Quinn to investigate.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Letter from FEMA to correct previous Letter of Final Determination
- B. Letter from DES, Land Resources Management. Receipt of Application for impact to jurisdictional wetland to be performed at 12 Campbello St Map 173; Lot 019.

VII. APPROVAL of MINUTES

A. March 14 Minutes

Motion to approve as amended
Motion By: J Battis
Second By: L Kipnes
Vote 7 – 0 – 0 in favor

B. April Minutes

Motion to approve as amended:
Motion by: L Kipnes
Second by: T Nawrocki
Vote: 7 – 0 – 0

VIII. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

- A. L Kipnes: Letter from Historical Society concerning Old Home Days.
 1. Four day event; requires full time staffing of booth
 2. L Kipnes to see if we can have modified hours.
 3. L Kipnes to see if we can cooperate with the Green team and the Recycle Committee

IX. MOTION TO MOVE TO NON PUBLIC SESSION

Motion by J Battis

Second by T Nawrocki

Roll Call:

J Battis Yes

P Dubay Yes

K Dickinson Yes

L Kipnes Yes

T Quinn Yes

S Rumbaugh Yes

T Nawrocki Yes

Discussion of properties acquisition and easements

Motions taken to be included in June Meeting

Motion to Adjourn: J Battis

Second By: L Kipnes

Vote 7 – 0 – 0

Meeting adjourned: 9:18 PM

T Quinn, Chairman