



TOWN OF HUDSON

Conservation Commission



Ken Dickinson, Chairman

Dave Morin, Selectmen Liaison

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DATE: June 11, 2018

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.).

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A regular meeting of the Hudson Conservation Commission (HCC) was held in the Board of Selectmen Conference Room of Town Hall.

Roll Call

Ken Dickinson Chairman <u> X </u>	Randy Brownrigg Vice-Chair <u> E </u>	Elliott Veloso Secretary <u> X </u>	William Collins Member <u> X </u>
Michael Tsu Member <u> E </u>	Michael Drouin Member <u> E </u>	Brett Gagnon Member <u> X </u>	Paula Hubert Alternate <u> X </u>
Jennifer Parkhurst Alternate <u> X </u>	David Morin Select. Rep. <u> X </u>	Elvis Dhima Town Staff <u> X </u>	

Call to Order

Called to Order at 07:05 P.M. by Chairman Ken Dickinson

Seating of Alternates

Alternate Paula Hubert seated at 7:06 P.M.

Jennifer Parkhurst seated at 8:40 P.M. (Secretary's Note: All votes previously taken prior to Ms. Parkhurst's seating were retaken. Motion votes recorded reflect Ms. Parkhurst's vote as seated member.)

Public Input Related to Non-Agenda Items:

None.

I. OLD BUSINESS

None.

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. Wetlands Special Exception Application for SMT, 7 Tracey Lane, Map: 101, Lot: 014-000

Jason Hill on behalf of TF Moran, Inc. spoke on behalf of applicant Reeds Ferry Sheds for a Wetlands Special Exemption. The properties in question are located at 3, 5, and 7 Tracy Lane in Hudson and Londonderry, New Hampshire. Because the properties are bisected by the Hudson/Londonderry town line, approval for the project will need to be obtained from both communities.

At issue for the Conservation Commission are certain wetland impacts caused by paving and construction of additional parking spaces at the Lot 14 location. The project calls for the replacement of the on-site septic system and water wells, the construction of a new stormwater pond, new grading for the stormwater pond, and temporary impact for leach fields. Mr. Hill described the property, which is used by Reeds Ferry Sheds for inventory storage, maintenance, construction, and employee workspace. Mr. Hill described the nature of the proposed project, which would be to pave over certain areas to make additional parking space. Mr. Hill also discussed the construction of a retention pond, drainage areas, and moving of a leach field. Mr. Hill discussed the impacts on the project, noting that the area was mostly wooded and that most of the improvements would be constructed in Londonderry. Mr. Hill also noted that there were no prime wetlands in the vicinity of the premises.

Chairman Dickinson inquired about the status of the permits from Londonderry. Mr. Hill discussed the scheduling of planning board meetings in Hudson and Londonderry. Chairman Dickinson inquired about the work that was already performed at the property, such as areas with the driveway and other areas. Mr. Dhima also informed the Conservation Commission that the work in the Hudson area had already been performed prior to seeking the permits. Mr. Dhima noted his concern about the lack of catch basin and the pathways of spillways. Mr. Dhima recommended that the plans be amended to preexisting conditions noted by Chairman Dickinson and himself.

Tim Carleton, Co-Owner of applicant, spoke at 7:25 P.M. Mr. Carleton stated that the paving on the property was done temporarily, and that it was going to be torn out in order to replace the septic system. Mr. Dhima acknowledged the temporary aspect of the plan, but reiterated his position that the plan should be updated to show preexisting conditions. Mr. Carleton agreed with Mr. Dhima's request, but wanted to clarify that the applicant was not being deceptive with the Conservation Commission, and that the paving was permitted through a variance.

Mr. Collins inquired about runoff flows at the property, grading, and other aspects of the property.

Chairman Dickinson noted that for applications of this nature the Conservation Commission usually performs a site walk, and inquired to the commission whether to schedule one. Mr. Gagnon and Mr. Collins expressed support for a site walk.

Mr. Hill inquired about the timing of the hearings before the other boards. Mr. Dickinson noted that after Conservation Commission approval, the Planning Board reviews, and then the ZBA.

A motion was made to recommend a favorable with conditions for the wetlands application for 7 Tracey Lane. This application is for a wetland special exception for work within the wetland buffer which runs down along the southwest corner of Map 101, Lot #14.

The following impacts will result from work within the buffer:

**8385 sq. ft. of Temporary Buffer Impact
750 sq. ft. Permanent Buffer Impact**

This approval is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Approval is subject to a site walk inspection and potential amendment of the motion subject to site observations.**
- 2. Subject to approval by the Town of Hudson Engineer.**
- 3. Applicant follows best management practices.**

**Motion by: William Collins
Seconded by: Brett Gagnon**

Vote: For: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Chairman Dickinson scheduled a Conservation Commission site walk for Friday, June 15, 2018 at 6:00 P.M.

For more information, please refer to the meeting recording on HCTV-ch22.

B. Replacement of Plexiglass (Lexan) at Robinson Pond Kiosks

A motion was made to take this matter out of order and take up Item IV. Financial Status next.

**Motion by: Elliott Veloso
Seconded by: Selectman David Morin**

Vote: For: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

IV. FINANCIAL STATUS

Chairman Dickinson discussed with the Conservation Commission about the monies covering the treatment for ponds in Hudson. Chairman Dickinson noted that at the end of the fiscal year, money is extracted from the Conservation Fund to cover any differences in the budget. Chairman

Dickinson noted that changes in state law would no longer permit the town to carry a certain portion of the funding over at the end of the fiscal year. Instead, the town would have to have the funding approved on a yearly basis through warrant article. Selectman Morin noted that the state law changes now required that portion of the money to be voted for every year. The commissioners discussed about the costs for treatment of the towns ponds. Chairman Dickinson noted the challenges of setting the exact amount of funds needed, as the impact of invasive species can vary from year to year. The commissioners discussed the importance of fulling funding pond treatment and ways which the commission could promote the cause with town voters.

No other outstanding issues noted with the current financial report.

For more information, please refer to the meeting recording on HCTV-ch22.

A motion was made to return back to the regular order of the agenda.

Motion by: Selectman David Morin

Seconded by: Brett Gagnon

Vote: For: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

B. Replacement of Plexiglass (Lexan) at Robinson Pond Kiosks

Chairman Dickinson discussed the vandalism that occurred at two kiosks at the Boatyard and Town Beach. Chairman Dickinson noted that one kiosk have bullet holes in it and the other had shattered Plexiglass. Selectman Morin noted that the matters should be reported to the Hudson Police, as the damage occurred towards town property.

Chairman Dickinson noted that it was recommended that kiosks should be replaced with Lexan, not Plexiglass, because it is more flexible and less prone to breaking. Selectman Morin inquired about the cost of the glass. Chairman Dickinson noted that the estimated cost for repair of the posts would be \$154.51 and the Lexan would be \$200. Selectman Morin noted that cost could be covered through insurance, but that the matter must be investigated and reported to Hudson Police first. The commissioners agreed that the matter should first be investigated by the police. Chairman Dickinson stated that he would contact Hudson Police after the meeting.

For more information, please refer to the meeting recording on HCTV-ch22.

III. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Schedule Musquash Trail Work Day / Trail Signage Installation

A motion was made expend no more than \$150 for pressure treated wood for trail work to be performed at Musquash Trails, specifically the installation of seven trail posts.

Motion by: William Collins

Seconded by: Paula Hebert

Vote: For: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

A work day was scheduled for July 14, 2018 at 9:00 AM.

B. Professional Services Contract Update

The commissioners discussed the treatment of the town's ponds and communications with Aqualogic. Chairman Dickinson noted that DASH treatment work has been scheduled for the season.

Chairman Dickinson noted that McManus and Nault had gotten their purchase order, and would provide their forestry assessment within six weeks of the award of the purchase order. Chairman Dickinson noted that Bay State Forestry was getting set up as a vendor, and a purchase order would be scheduled after July 1, 2018.

For more information, please refer to the meeting recording on HCTV-ch22.

V. CORRESPONDENCE

The Chairman reviewed the correspondence provide by staff for tonight's meeting. The correspondences included:

May 29, 2018 Letter from DES – Notice of the performance of compliance inspections at 300 Webster Street.

Signed Contract for McManus and Nault and Bay State Forestry Services Contract.

Invoice and Purchase Form regarding Annual Fees for New Hampshire Lakes Group.

For more information, please refer to the meeting recording on HCTV-ch22.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Conservation Commission meeting minutes for May 14, 2018 were submitted for acceptance.

Motion made to accept May 14, 2018 Conservation Commission meeting minutes.

Motion by: Brett Gagnon

Seconded by: Michael Tsu

Vote: For: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

VII. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

Selectman Morin stated that the Board of Selectmen will be setting up a policy regarding the safe use of Town of Hudson power tools. An online program and live Fire Department class must be taken by all town personnel in order to use the tools. Personnel that do not take the safety course

will be prohibited from using the tools.

For more information, please refer to the meeting recording on HCTV-ch22.

VIII. NON-PUBLIC SESSION

A motion was made to enter into a Non-Public Session at 8:43 PM, pursuant to NH RSA 91-A:3, II(d) which states "Consideration of the acquisition, sale or lease of real or personal property which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interest are averse to those of the general community.

Motion by: William Collins
Seconded by: Brett Gagnon

Roll Call Vote on Motion to Enter Non-Public Session:

Ken Dickinson: Yes
Elliott Veloso: Yes
William Collins: Yes
Brett Gagnon: Yes
Paula Hubert: Yes
Jennifer Parkhurst: Yes
David Morin: Yes

After deliberations were made in Non-Public Session, a motion was made at 9:52 PM to exit Non-Public Session and reenter Public Session.

Motion by: Elliott Veloso
Seconded by: Paula Hubert

Roll Call Vote on Motion to Exit Non-Public Session:

Ken Dickinson: Yes
Elliott Veloso: Yes
William Collins: Yes
Brett Gagnon: Yes
Paula Hubert: Yes
Jennifer Parkhurst: Yes
David Morin: Yes

A motion was made to poll the Conservation Commission to seal the Non-Public Meeting Minutes pursuant to NH RSA 91-A:3, III, the disclosure of which could render the discussed matter could render the proposed actions ineffective.

Motion by: Elliott Veloso
Seconded by: Brett Gagnon

Roll Call Vote on Motion to seal the Non-Public Meeting Minutes:

Ken Dickinson: Yes
Elliott Veloso: Yes
William Collins: Yes
Brett Gagnon: Yes
Paula Hubert: Yes
Jennifer Parkhurst: Yes
David Morin: Yes

Motion made to accept May 14, 2018 Conservation Commission non-public meeting minutes.

Motion by: Elliott Veloso
Seconded by: Brett Gagnon


Ken Dickinson: Yes
Elliott Veloso: Yes
William Collins: Yes
Brett Gagnon: Yes
Paula Hubert: Yes
Jennifer Parkhurst: Yes
David Morin: Yes

A motion was made to adjourn:

Motion by: Elliott Veloso
Seconded by: Jennifer Parkhurst

Vote: For: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Meeting Adjourned at 9:34 P.M.



Elliott Veloso, Secretary