



TOWN OF HUDSON

Conservation Commission



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DATE: July 11, 2016

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 Community Development Conference Room of Town Hall.

Members of the Commission present: J. Battis, R. Brownrigg, K. Dickinson, R. Matos, J. Beland and W. Collins and M. Tranfaglia

Members of the Commission absent: None

Member of Town Staff: E. Dhima, present

Board of Selectman Representative: Pat Nichols, present

Seating of Alternates: None

Called to Order at 07:09 p.m.

As no members of the public were in attendance, no public input was presented or discussed.

I. OLD BUSINESS

A: Wetlands Special Exception Application – Miara Transportation, 12 Bockes Road Hudson NH. Tax Map 136; Lot 1 Zone: R2

Tony Basso representing Keach-Nordstrom Associates gave a second presentation of a vehicle loading and storage expansion project being considered at the Miara Transportation facility located at 12 Bockes Road. This project as presented would permanently impact 31,700 square feet of wetland buffer and 5,550 square feet of wetlands at the back of the property. Mr. Basso's presentation was necessary to provide the HCC with updated information in regards to the project and to provide answers to any questions asked during the site walk that was held June 22, 2016. When Mr. Basso completed his presentation he answered various question asked by the HCC members. With all questions asked and satisfactorily answered commission vice-chair Jim Battis made a motion to recommend.

Motion is to recommend approval of the Wetlands Special Exception Application filed by Joseph A. Miara Jr., Trustee Granite Realty Trust. This approval is for the permanent wetlands buffer impact of approximately 31,700 square feet and permanent wetland impact of approximately 5,500 square feet as shown on the Wetland & Wetland Buffer Impact Plan, Miara Transportation Map 136 lot 1, 12 Bockes Road, Hudson, New Hampshire Hillsborough County. Project No: 16-0233-1 sheet 3 of 6 dated June 2, 2016 and revised June 23, 2016 with the following stipulations.

1. Construction and restoration shall comply with: BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES TO CONTROL NON-POINT SOURCE POLLUTION: A GUIDE FOR CITIZENS AND TOWN OFFICIALS (NH Department of Environmental Services-Current Issue.)
2. During construction and restoration erosion control barriers shall be installed and maintained to the satisfaction of the Town Engineer.
3. Install approved "Do not cut/Do not disturb" Town conservation markers along the conservation district boundaries.
4. All notes found on the Construction Detail sheets 4 through 6 that pertain to alteration of terrain and storm-water runoff and management will be strictly adhered to during all phases of construction.

Motion by: J. Battis

Second by: R. Brownrigg

Vote: Favorable: 7 Unfavorable: 0 Abstaining: 0

2. NEW BUSINESS

None

3. OTHER BUSINESS

A: Stewardship of Conserved Lands: Kiosk Info and Rules Signs

HCC member Rai Matos again presented another rendition of a rules sign that when approved will be placed at the kiosks located at the Town Forest and Musquash Conservation land. There were a couple of additional suggestions to improve the wording on the sign and Mr. Matos agreed to seek one more edited proof before the sign is voted on by the HCC and is submitted for approval by the BOS. It was also noted by Mr. Battis that one more sign would be needed at Woodland Dive which is the Northeast entrance to the Musquash Conservation land. When the discussion ended Mr. Battis made the following motion.

Motion to present the HCC draft rendition of the conservation land rules sign to the BOS for their comments and approval.

Motion by: J. Battis

Seconded by: W. Collins

Vote: For: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

There was some continued discussion on cost of the signs but there were no final motions were made to expend any funds at this time.

B: Town Forest: Scheduled Work Day

A reminder was given by the Chairmen about the upcoming trail maintenance and cleanup day at the Town Forest on the following dates. This cleanup and maintenance effort is open to the public.

Saturday July 16, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. till 1:00 p.m.

Rain Date:

Sunday July 17, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. till 1:00 p.m.

4. FINANCIAL STATUS

A brief discussion on the balance of Professional Services took place. Mr. Collins asked why there was a negative balance noted for this line item. Mr. Battis explained that this expense was hard to estimate during the budget process due to demand for treatments of invasive species at the towns two major bodies of water. Mr. Battis went on to mention that there were three capitol reserve funds available to help with the cost of the pond treatments

and that a request could be made to the Board of Selectmen to use these funds to help pay for future treatments.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

A Harvest Report provided by AB Aquatics which was carried over from last meeting. No other correspondences noted.

The chairman and Town Engineer did mention that herbicide treatments would be taking place late in July around the 28th and that Robinson Pond would be treated first.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Previous Conservation Commission minutes for the month of June were submitted for approval.

Mr. Tranfaglia suggested changing Mr. Battis and Mr. Brownrigg to J. Battis and R. Brownrigg for consistency. The secretary agreed to amend the minutes of June 13, 2016 accordingly.

Motion made to approve the Conservation Commission meeting minutes for the June 13, 2016 regular meeting as presented with one edit noted.

Motion by: J. Battis
Seconded by: R. Brownrigg

Vote: For: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion made to approve the Conservation Commission meeting minutes for the June 22, 2016 Bockes Road WSE application site walk meeting as presented.

Motion by: J. Battis
Seconded by: M. Tranfaglia

Vote: For: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

7. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

None

Motion to adjourn:

Motion by: W. Collins

Seconded by: R. Brownrigg

Vote: For: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Meeting Adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Ken Dickinson, Chairman

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