



TOWN OF HUDSON

Conservation Commission



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HUDSON CONSERVATION COMMISSION DATE FEBRUARY 14, 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.).

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A regular meeting of the Hudson Conservation Commission (HCC) was held on February 14, 2011 in the Community Development Conference Room of Town Hall. Chairman T Quinn Presided

Members of the Commission present: J Battis, P Dubay, K Dickinson, T Nawrocki (arrived at 7:10), L Kipnes, T Quinn, R Friedburg, S Rumbaugh, and N Lamoureux.
Members of the Commission absent: J Lemieux - excused

Seating of Alternates: None

I. PUBLIC INPUT RELATED TO NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Eagle Scout Project –Signs on Musquash Reserve
George Bower advised that the effort is complete, and a refund of \$151.07 is being returned to the Conservation Commission.
Provided photographs of a sample of the posted signs.
Requests a letter of acknowledgement to present to the Scout Troop Master S Rumbaugh – suggestions for improvement?
G Bower – there is a broken bridge on one of the trails – needs to identify
K Dickinson has location information.

II. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Map 185, Lot 007 Flying Rock Road, Brian and Cathy Lachance. Wetlands Special Exception; Filling in the Buffer Landscaping Plans
Plans: Lachance Residence, 6 Flying Rock Road, Hudson, NH 03051, drawn by Raisanen Landscaping. - 2 Sheets.
Observation: Wetlands are not indicated and buffers are not shown. Sewer easement runs through the property. Rip Rap runs within 3 feet of the tree. Suggest that a “well” be put in to preserve the tree. Landscape Plan needs to delineate the vegetation used for bank stability. Recommend that a plot plan be included in the documentation decision to defer to March meeting.
- B. Map160, Lot 105, 297 Central Street. Wetlands Special Exception to permanently disturb 10,300 sq ft of Buffer.
Presentation by Patrick Colburn of Keach – Nordstrom Associates
Planned Site walk was not held due to high level of snow.
Copy of wetlands impact plans (4 sheets) provided.
Motion to Recommend a Wetland Special Exception with stipulations:
1. Best Management Practices to Control Non-Point Source Pollution: A Guide for Citizens and Town Officials (HN Dept of Environmental Services – Latest Issue)
Motion by K Dickinson
Second by L Kipnes
Vote: 7 -0-0 in favor
- C. Maps 229, 234, & 235, Lots 038, 039, & 040; 282, 284, & 286 Lowell Road request for a Wetlands Special Exception to create a bridge approximately 35 Feet by 6 feet to cross a wetlands area.
Presentation by Mark Hogue
Data sheets provided for timber being used to construct the bridge Material and Safety Data Sheet Universal Forest Products Inc., 2801 East Beltline NE Grand Rapids Michigan 49525
Material Safety Data Sheet, Wolman Natural Select Treated Wood and Lumber Discussion; Universal Products Sheet Page 3 Section 8 shows that toxins’ may leach if in contact with the ground. WSE will stipulate that the lumber will not contact the ground. K Dickinson may need to have a structural engineer design the bridge, given its size needs to have a plan signed by certified wetlands certified specialist.
Motion to defer until the documentation required is available:
Motion by J Battis
Second by L Kipnes
Vote 7 – 0 - 0 in favor

III. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Map 192; Lot 017 68 Pelham Road Hudson, New Hampshire
Owner Empire Homes Inc

Engineering Firm: Keach – Nordstrom Associates Inc.

Request for a Wetlands Special Exception for temporary alteration of 423 sq ft wetland, permanent alteration of 7,910 sqft of wetland; temporary alteration of 898 sq ft of buffer and permanent alteration of 32,360 sq ft of buffer plan Vista Ridge Estates. Presentation by Patrick Colburn

Three wetlands crossings are planned. One is planned as a box culvert, two are closed pipe. Plan was previously approved by ZBA in 2008, but due to the economy it was not acted upon. The WSE has expired. Open space will be designated as conservation land to be maintained by the association.

Motion by S Rumbaugh to recommend a Wetlands Special Exception with the following stipulations:

1. Best Management Practices to Control Non-Point Source Pollution: A Guide for Citizens and Town Officials (HN Dept of Environmental Services –Latest Issue)
2. All Conservation areas are to marked with appropriate conservation signs at 100 foot intervals use of construction equipment to be allowed in the wetland conservation with subsequent restoration The Town Engineer will inspect all restoration work.
3. Open box culverts will be installed in two locations at the stream near the entrance and at the southernmost drainage area.
4. This Wetlands Special Exception is recommended based on the plan presented, if the plan is modified the Applicant may need to return for a new review

Second by J Battis

Vote 7 – 0 – 0 in favor.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Prime Wetlands

Jennifer’s letter to the Editor published in the February 11th Hudson – Litchfield News. T Quinn to write letter for this week’s edition.

B. Watershed Study

T Quinn to contact G Webster and L Nute to see if we can develop watershed overlay maps.

C. Open Space Plan

Copies of the Open Space Report provided comments:

1. Page 49; Contingency Plans/ Back-ups. First line – “and the Conservation Commission” needs to be removed.
2. Page 48; Easement monitoring, third paragraph” Replace “It will be the duty of the Conservation Commission” with “It will be the duty of the Community Development Office”
3. Page 3 Table 1 data is from NRPC data of August 2001. Can we update 2007 maps? Maps on page 5 and 6 are outdated (2003). Map on page 8 is based on NRPC data of 2006, update possible? Page 13 Figure 3 Map is Master Park Plan of 1989.

Action: put on March agenda. Contact Michelle Champion for electronic copy and data sources.

D. Budget 2010/2011

Budget is on the Town Warrant for March 8th votes.

E. Management of Conservation Funds.

Need meeting with Finance and the Treasurer to establish segregation of funds.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT AND CASHFLOW

Reviewed

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of October 19, 2010

Motion to approve as written: K Dickinson

Second: J Battis

Vote: 7 – 0 -0

B. Minutes of January 10, 2011

Motion to approve minutes as amended: K Dickinson

Second: L Kipnes

Vote 7 – 0 – 0

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

A. NH Planning & Land Use Regulations 2010 – 2011 Book (hand out at meeting)

B. Donations Report showing three donation accounts handed out. Note: account for Robinson Pond does not appear.

C. Memo from Finance Director – Clearing Interfund Conservation Commission.
Clearing Interfund Land Use Change Tax with Conservation Commission
Amount of \$70,740.41 to be deposited into the Conservation Fund 1330-06

D. Clearing Interfund Conservation Commission Amount of \$114,014.30 to be deposited into Account 2110-06

VIII. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

A. L Kipnes – Tax incentives are available for energy efficient appliances and home improvements Website Tax Incentives 2011.

B. Candidates Night Friday February 18 in the Town Community Center.

IX. MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Motion by J Battis

Second by L Kipnes

Vote: 7- 0 in favor

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 PM

T Quinn, Chairman