

# **TOWN OF HUDSON**



# **Conservation Commission**

Randy Brownrigg, Chairman

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## DATE: February 10, 2020

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

In attendance = X Alternates Seated = S Partial Attendance = P Excused Absence = E

- I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON AT 7:02 P.M.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. SEATING OF ALTERNATES

Paula Hubert Seated for Elliot Veloso

V. Public Input Related to Non-Agenda Items: None

#### VI. Old Business

A. Eagle Scout Project Presentation by Mathew Izzo, Boy Scout Troop 610

Mr. Collins stated that he had spoken to Mr. Izzo a couple of times to see if he could provide some additional information on his intended Eagle Scout project at Musquash Pond. Mr. Collins said he had not received any and will try contacting Mr. Izzo again to see if he needs any additional help with his efforts.

**B.** Sub Committee Changes

Deferred, date to be determined

C. Update on Merrill Park

Deferred, waiting on further information in regards to the Environmental Study.

#### VII. New Business

A. Conservation By-Laws Changes

The Commission as a whole reviewed and suggested changes to the existing By-laws. These changes will be a part of multistep approach to completing a final version of the commission By-Laws for 2020. Mr. Collins will append the current document with the suggested changes and submit a newly revised copy at the March HCC meeting.

**B.** Discussion on Warrant Article 26, Change in total members from 5 to 7

No extensive discussion, Mr. Gagnon did state he was looking forward to additional members after the March town elections.

C. Road side signs for Conservation Properties.

Mr. Brownrigg stated that he had begun installing the newly acquired Public Access signs at various conservation property locations. He added that he would try to get a few more signs erected over the next couple of weeks and that help from any other member would be greatly appreciated.

#### **VIII. Other Business**

Mr. Collins presented a drawing of Kiosk Design that could be used as a reference when constructing informational kiosk at some of the town's conservation properties. He asked that a

copy be placed on the towns HCC website for easy access and further stated that common design would be easier to build and maintain.

Mr. Dickinson stated that the trail layout at the Guertin property was completed. He added that work day would be needed to clean up and widen the new trail. Members present agreed to Sunday February 23, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Members and any community volunteers should meet at the Tri Gate entrance.

Mr. Gagnon took on the responsibility of obtaining prices for new trail marking materials. He will present his findings for material costs at the next HCC meeting.

Mr. Gagnon also took on the responsibility of refining and organizing a spread sheet created by Mr. Collins and Town Planner Groth. The spread sheet contains land parcels that fall into various categories. This sheet will be used as a reference tool and will aide in updating the town's GIS map.

### IX. Financial Status

No outstanding issue noted

## X. Correspondence

The only correspondence was a letter from the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests thanking the Commission for its annual contribution and continued support.

### **XI.** Approval of Minutes

Mr. Collins moved to accept the HCC regular meeting minutes for January 13, 2020. Motion seconded by Mr. Gagnon. Motion Carried 5/0/0

#### XII. Commissioner's Comments

Mrs. Parkhurst mentioned that the Saving Special Places Conference would be happening April 4, 2020. She encouraged participation from all members if possible. For those interested you can register by opening this link. <a href="https://savingspecialplaces.org/">https://savingspecialplaces.org/</a>

Mrs. Parkhurst also mentioned that the Piscataquog Land Conservancy would be hosting a Spring Forward hike at the Pulpit Rock Conservation Area, Sunday March 8, 2020 1 to 4 pm Bedford New Hampshire. Please open the provided link for further information. <a href="https://plcnh.org/upcoming-events/">https://plcnh.org/upcoming-events/</a>

Mr. Dickinson asked if we had sent in a check to the Lake Host Program to cover the towns cost. An inquiry should be made to see if our dues were covered for Fy2020

Mr. Gagnon mentioned that he looks forward to the March town elections and to the outcome of Articles 25 and 26.

# XIII. Non Public Session

# Motion to adjourn:

Mr. Collins moved to adjourn to night's meeting. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hubert. Motion Carried  $5/0/0\,$ 

Meeting Adjourned at 8.58 p.m.

William Collins

William Collins, HCC Vice-Chairman