

# **TOWN OF HUDSON**



**Conservation Commission** 

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# **DATE: October 17, 2022**

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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In attendance = X Alternates Seated = S Partial Attendance = P Excused Absence = E William Collins Bill Kallgren Brian Pinsonneault Ken Dickinson Vice-Chair X Member E Chairman X Member X Sandra Rumbaugh Carl Murphy Linda Krisciunas David Morin **Elvis** Dhima Member <u>E</u> Alternate  $\underline{X}$ Alternate <u>E</u> Selectman Rep X Town Rep X CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON AT 07:00 P.M. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ROLL CALL SEATING OF ALTERNATES:

Mr. Collins seated Carl Murphy

Public Input Related to Non-Agenda Items: None

### I. Old Business

A. Conditional Use Permit for New Garage, 23 Woodcrest Dr. Map# 125, lot# 010-000

Mr. Dickinson moved to forward the conservation commission recommendations drafted after the site walk that took place on September 15, 2022. Mr. Pinsonneault seconded the motion. Motion carried 4/0/0

B. Merrill Park Up Date and Proposed Plan Set

Mr. Dhima provide commission members with a status of this rehabilitation project. He said that the permitting process was underway and that a tree company is in place to remove and clear the area which will be dedicated for parking.

Mr. Dickinson asked if the plan set was current and voiced his opinion about step height leading down to the water.

Mr. Murphy inquired about parking. Mr. Dhima indicated the parking would accommodate 8 vehicles

Mr. Collins asked about the financial status. Mr. Dhima said we were still well within the budgets amount for the project but would let the commission know if anything changed.

C. Land Access Document Hudson Town Forest- continued from July 2022

Mr. Collins asked if any further editing would be required to this document prior to review by the town's legal department. Commission members were okay with the wording and agreed that it could be moved forward for review.

D. Wetland Mitigation- Brox Industries

This topic was introduced during the September 12, 2022 meeting. The owners of the company a looking to expand their operation onto a portion of the property that will require dredging and filling wetlands. Owner representative Bruce Gilday had introduced a possible land/pond donation to the town as a form of mitigation to offset the loss of the wetland habitat. Commission members did question the value of the accepting 6 acres of a pond and whether or not it qualified as true mitigation. After a lengthy discussion it was determined that more information and a site walk would be beneficial in determining the best course of action moving forward.

Mr. Collins moved to entertain the idea of accepting 6 acres of property along with other conditions to be determined at a later date once there is a formal application before the commission. Mr. Dickinson. Motion Carried 4/0/0

#### **II. New Business**

None

#### **III. Other Business**

A. Old Home Days – T Shirt Winners

Three winners were select to receive Conservation T-Shirts

Laura Jozitis, Michael Misiano, and Phil McNulty were chosen by random drawing

B. Trail names for the Hudson Town Forest.

6 names were presented for consideration. Mr. Collins said he'd post them to the Supports FB page and Town Residents page as an informal poll. The names selected the most would be used.

Names: Squirrel Run, Abenaki, Briggs, White Tail Loop, Passaconaway, Thyne, Agawam

C. Rangers Town Forest Timber Harvest- Deferred

## **IV. Financial Status**

Mr. Collins reviewed the current financial status and the 2023/2024 operating budget. Mr. Dickinson suggested adding wording to Line 252 so that monies from Professional Services could be used for "upland weed control"

### V. Correspondence

Permit by Notification notices pertaining to power line inspections and repair along the Eversource ROW in town.

NHACC 52 Annual meeting & Conference to be held November 5, 2022

NHLakes Annual Donation Request

Email sent by Andrew Butler which provided the results of a Fur Bearing Animal Study that took place on town land.

### **VI.** Approval of Minutes

Mr. Dickinson moved to approve HCC meeting minutes for September 12, 2022 and September 15, 2022. Motion seconded by Mr. Murphy. Motion Carried 4/0/0

## VII. Commissioner's Comments

Mr. Collins mentioned that Eagle Scout Ryan Clement had finished his project at the Pelham Road property and donated 10- 4x4x8 posts to the commission. He also encouraged all commission members to attend the upcoming HLC site walk to be held October 22, 2022

Mr. Dhima mentioned that the Wason Road purchase was on hold until a few details could be worked out.

Mr. Dickinson mentioned that there was more trail work to complete and looked forward to getting out at some time in the future to complete it.

## Motion to adjourn:

Mr. Dickinson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 PM; seconded by Mr. Pinsonneault.

Motion Carried 4-0-0

William Collins

William Collins, HCC Chairman