



TOWN OF HUDSON

Conservation Commission



William Collins, Chairman David Morin, Selectmen Liaison

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DATE: May 13, 2024

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 Carl Murphy Ken Dickinson Brian Pinsonneault
Chairman X Vice-Chair X Clerk X Member E

John Walter Linda Krisciunas David Morin Elvis Dhima
Member X Alternate E Selectman Rep E Town Engineer X

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CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON AT 07:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

SEATING OF ALTERNATES:

Public Input Related to Non-Agenda Items: none

I. New Business:

Chairman Collins informed us that a representative from the Conservation Commission is needed to serve on ZORC with other members of the Planning Board and ZBA. Mr. Walter and Mr. Dickinson both expressed interest in attending future ZORC meetings. ZORC’s first meeting is scheduled for June 3, 2024 at 7pm.

II. Old Business:

a. Trail Map GIS Cell Phone App Training:

Ryan Friedman, GIS Planner @ NRPC provided a training session to the Commission in effort to educate everyone on proper usage of the “ArcGIS Field Maps” cell phone application that can be used to locate trails at each conservation area in both Hudson and other towns within the NRPC region.

b. Proposal for Engineering Services at Robinson Pond Recreation Area:

Garrison Beck from VHB presented a comprehensive design, permitting and engineering proposal for proposed improvements at Robinson Pond Recreation Area (beach and boat launch improvements). The Commission asked several questions which were answered by Mr. Beck. Mr. Dhima provided additional info regarding this item. All commissioners were generally satisfied with their responses. Two motions were accepted as follows:

Motion to waive the bid process and award the engineering design proposal to VHB, Inc.
Motion by Mr. Walter to accept the proposal; seconded by Mr. Murphy.

Motion Carried 4/0/0

Motion by Mr. Dickinson to approve the contract for design, engineering and permitting services to VHB, Inc. for the amount not to exceed \$108,750; seconded by Mr. Walter.

Motion Carried 4/0/0

III. Other Business

a. Trail Grant Program:

Get ideas together for 2027 implementation.

b. Trail Workday Scheduling:

Sunday, May 19th, 9 AM-12 PM at Musquash Conservation Area.
Sunday, June 16th, 9 AM-12 PM Location: TBD

c. Musquash Pond Invasive Species Treatment Work:

Chairman Collins reviewed

IV. Financial Status:

Conservation Fund Balance = \$785,041. Forestry Fund Balance = approx. \$44,000.

V. Correspondence:

Chairman Collins reviewed our monthly correspondence which included the following:

- a) 2024 Lakes Congress.
- b) Phone call regarding request to accommodate mountain bicyclists at Musquash Conservation Area.
- c) Proposal Culvert Repair Project located at 77 Lowell Rd.
Presentation by Town Engineer, Elvis Dhima. Mr. Dhima explained that a dewatering system will be required during the culvert repair construction period. Construction will impact the existing parking lot that serves T-Bones and other businesses located at 77 Lowell Road. No members had concerns about the proposed work. All members generally agreed that it is necessary to avoid culvert failure.

VI. Approval of Minutes:

Deferred to June

VII. Commissioner's Comments:

Bill Collins will be on travel in June. Vice chairman Mr. Murphy will chair our regular June meeting.

VIII. Motion to adjourn:

Mr. Walter moved to adjourn our regular meeting at 9:39 PM; seconded by Mr. Murphy.

Motion Carried 4/0/0

Ken Dickinson

Ken Dickinson
Conservation Commission Clerk