



TOWN OF HUDSON

Conservation Commission



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CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA November 14, 2022

The Town of Hudson Conservation Commission will meet on **November 14, 2022** at 7:00 p.m. in the Buxton Meeting Room, located in Town Hall 12 School Street, Hudson, NH.

- ✓ Call to Order
- ✓ Pledge of Allegiance
- ✓ Roll Call
- ✓ Alternates
- ✓ Public Input Related to Non-Agenda Items

I. Old Business:

- a. Hudson Logistics Center Amended Site Plan & Conditional Use Plan SP# 12-22
Lowell & Steele Road CU# 07-22 Map 239/Lot 001
- b. Land Access Hudson Town Forest – Proposed abutter access continued from October 2022

II. New Business:

None

III. Other Business

- a. Trail Name for the town Forest trails – Poll Results
- b. Rangers Town Forest Timber Harvest – Rumbaugh
- c. Pelham Road Conservation Area – Name?
- d. Annual Property Inspection – Tri-Town Forest, Musquash Conservation Area

IV. Financial Status:

Current Numbers

V. Correspondence:

- a. Merrill Park, Nardoni Email
- b. LMRLAC Volunteer Opportunity
- c. Regenerate Roots.Org- Invite December meeting
- d. Solitude
- e. Resource Scientists

VI. Approval of Minutes:

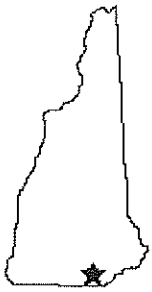
- a. October 17, 2022 Meeting Minutes
- b. October 20, 2022 Meeting Minutes (Site walk)
- c. October 24, 2022 Meeting Minutes (Special meeting)

VII. Commissioner's Comments:

Next Regular Meeting: Monday, December 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

William Collins

William Collins, Chairman

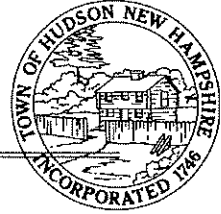


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Motion to Recommend/Not Recommend the Conditional Use Permit Application

Date: November 14, 2022

Case: Hudson Logistics Center-Amended Site Plan and Conditional Use Permit Application
Hudson, New Hampshire
Map 234, Lots 5, 34, and 35, Map 228 Lot 4 and Map 239, Lot 1
Zone: General (G1) and Business (B)

Description of work to be performed: The project proposes construction of two new access roadways, the first, proposed Green Meadows Drive which extends from Lowell Road and the second, proposed Northern Access Road extending from Walmart Boulevard. One warehouse building, driveways and parking areas surrounding the facility and numerous retention ponds to manage storm-water runoff. The site plan if built will have a permanent wetland impact of _____ square feet (_____ acres) and a permanent wetland buffer impact of _____ square feet (_____ acres). As stated by the applicant a majority of these impacts will occur along the two proposed access driveways.

Note: Prior to tonight's meeting representatives of Hillwood Development have presented information on wetland and wetland buffer impacts, roadway design and storm water management design. Two site walks of the property have been completed by commission members along with residents of the community. The applicant has responded to numerous public comments and input from conservation commission and through multiple meetings and public input sessions has redesigned the roadway and other parts of the project to reduced overall wetland and buffer impacts by 61,293 square feet.

Members Present:

Conservation Members Stepping Down:

Alternates Seated:

Motion to "Not Recommend"

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_____ moved to not recommend a favorable acceptance by the Hudson Planning Board of the Conditional Use Permit application filed for Tax Map 234, Lots 5, 34 & 35; Map#228, Lot 4 and Map 239, Lot 1 by representatives of Hillwood Logistic Center reference, dated September 12, 2022 revised _____. Motion second _____

Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Kriscuinas _____, Mr. Dickinson _____, Mr. Pinsonneault _____, Mr. Collins _____, Mrs. Rumbaugh _____, Mr. Murphy _____

Reason for not recommending: (i.e. Compliance to Regulations)

Motion to “Recommend”

_____ moved to recommend a favorable acceptance of the Conditional Use Permit application by the Hudson Planning Board for the application filed by representatives of Hillwood Logistic Center reference Tax Map 234, Lots 5, 34 & 35; Map 228, Lot 4 and Map 239, Lot 1 dated September 12, 2022, revised _____. After application review the Hudson Conservation Commission finds that the uses presented by the applicant for access to the upland portion of the property and for storm water management comply with Town of Hudson Zoning Ordinance 334, Article IX- Wetland Conservation Overlay District, paragraphs 334-36(C) 2, through 4 and 334-37. This favorable acceptance is contingent upon Planning Board approval of the proposed plan and with the recommended actions listed below.

General recommendations by the Hudson Conservation Commission to the Planning Board to address potential environmental issue during construction as part of a Condition of Approval.

1. Construction and restoration shall comply with Best Management Practices set forth in New Hampshire Storm Water Manual Volume 3: Erosion and Sediment Control

2. During construction and restoration erosion control barriers shall be installed and maintained to the satisfaction of the Town Engineer and the Hudson Conservation Commission.
3. Conservation Commission members shall be allowed to inspect the boundaries of the wetland and wetland buffer areas during construction and report any finding to the applicant and Town engineer for immediate remediation.
4. A stipulation and or note should be added to the plan that states "Construction vehicles (non-refueling vehicles) shall not be parked within 25 feet of any wetland or wetland buffer boundaries overnight".
5. A stipulation and or note should be added to the plan that states "Refueling vehicles shall not be parked overnight or left unattended within 50 feet of any wetland or wetland buffer boundaries".
6. A stipulation and or note should be added to the plan that states "Stockpiling of construction materials is not allowed in the wetland or wetland buffer areas of the site or in areas designated for permanent conservation".
7. Due to the nature of this project which will create large areas of impervious surfaces the applicant should consider the use of alternate materials such as **pervious concrete and or pervious asphalt** to help with ground water recharge and minimize the need for snow and ice control chemicals i.e. Sidewalks, Handicap Parking and other low use areas are good candidates for this type of surface.
8. A stipulation and or note should be added to the plan that states "Storage sheds for chemicals used to manage snow and ice at the site shall not be placed within 50 feet of the wetland or wetland buffer areas and such storage areas shall be shown on the final plan set.
9. Members of the conservation commission would like to witness the draw down and relocation of wildlife of the manmade ponds listed as impact areas a two day notice should be provided to the Town of Hudson Engineering Department to facilitate this request.

General recommendations by the Hudson Conservation Commission to the Planning Board to address Restoration and Landscaping of areas that were presented by the applicant.

10. Add third party monitor for plantings, i.e. Professional Landscape Architect and/or Professional Wetland Scientist to perform monthly visits during the growing season for a 3 year period and submit maintenance logs to the Town Engineer and Commission on a quarterly basis.

11. Any vegetation associated with post-construction BMP's to be suitably established to withstand erosion.
12. Provide maintenance paths for planting areas within the conservation easement to be constructed of pervious material wide enough to accommodate a mini-excavator and skid steer capable of transplanting a 6" caliper tree (8 foot minimum width). Provide similar sufficient maintenance access between sound wall and southern property line.

Landscaping specific stipulations

13. Any proposed landscaping within jurisdictional resource areas shall consist of species native to northeastern USA region. Prior to implementation, a final landscape plan with plant schedule, shall be submitted to the Town for review and approval.
14. Invoices for the purchase of native New England Seed Mixes/plantings referenced in Condition #4 above shall be provided to the Engineering Department upon availability and before install/ seed application in the field.
15. Prior to final seeding, an invasive species inventory shall be performed to provide Baseline documentation of invasive species that are either within restored areas or Adjacent thereto.
16. Under the supervision of a qualified Wetland Scientist or Landscape Architect the restored areas within jurisdictional areas shall be monitored for 5 years post installation (during the height of the growing season) and reports shall be submitted to the Commission no later than November 18th of each year. Upon observation, dead or dying plantings or seeded areas shall be replanted, as seasonal conditions allow. Invasive species shall be monitored and removed manually upon observation. Detection of invasive species, an estimation of their coverage and management of same shall be included in said reports.
17. Methods for more involved management of invasive species (such as root barriers for Phragmites or herbicide application) shall be discussed with the Engineering Department and implementation of any proposed non-manual methods shall be reviewed and approved by the Town Engineer, Conservation Commission, or Administrator depending on type of methods proposed.
18. The planting areas shall exhibit an overall survivorship of at least 75% after three full growing seasons.
19. Upon beginning work, the applicant shall submit written progress reports every month detailing what work has been done in or near resource areas, and what work is anticipated to be done over the next period. This will update the construction sequence and can be a part of the weekly erosion control reports.

20. Fertilizers utilized for landscaping and lawn care shall be slow release, low-nitrogen types (<5%), and shall not be used within 50 feet of a wetland resource area. Pesticides and herbicides shall not be used within 50 feet of a wetland resource area

Motion second _____

This motion is based on the plan(s) submitted by the applicant. It is recommended that if additional impacts are made the plan be returned to the Conservation Commission for further review.

Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Kriscuinas _____, Mr. Dickinson _____, Mr. Pinsonneault _____,
Mr. Collins _____, Mrs. Rumbaugh _____, Mr. Murphy _____

William Collins
HCC Chairman

A copy of this recommendation shall be stapled to the CUP application and forward it to the Town Planning Office for inclusion in the Planning Board Member Packets.

Other Business: Item a.

Trail Name Poll Results

During the October 17, 2022 meeting it was posed that a select set of names for two trails at the Hudson Town Forest be presented to the residents of Hudson in a poll like fashion for final selection. The list of names were placed on both the Residents of Hudson and Hudson, NH Residents Facebook pages in random order. The screen shot results below show the overall results of both polls. Below that are the totals from the two polls starting with the most popular name to the least popular name.

Hello Hudson Residents. The Hudson Conservation Commission needs your help selecting two trail names for the Hudson Town Forest. If you'd like to participate and share your choice please select two from the names listed below. we have some whimsical, historical and tribute names to choose from. Thanks for you help!

- White Tail Way 39% > X
- Agawam 4% > X
- Squirrel Run 24% > X
- Passaconaway 3% > X
- Abernackie 3% > X
- MooseTracks 3% > X
- Briggs Way (Donna Briggs) 15% > X
- Thyne's Loop (Katherine Thyne) 9% > X

+ Add poll option...

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- Passaconaway 3% > X
- Squirrel Run 22% > X
- Abernackie 2% > X
- Briggs way (Donna Briggs) 28% > X
- Agawam > X
- White Tail Loop 15% > X

+ Add poll option...

109 votes

Totals	White Tail Loop	54%	Moose Tracks	12%
	Squirrel Run	46%	Passaconaway	6%
	Briggs Way	43%	Abernaki	5%
	Thyne's Loop	30%	Agawam	4%

There were approximately 360 votes cast.

Expenditure Report - Including Carry Forward Activity
Conservation Committee
 Town of Hudson, NH
 As Of: October 2022, GL Year 2023

Run: 11/07/22
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Selected Year	52,753.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	52,753.00	1,664.00	2,677.20	0.00	50,075.80	5.075		
Prior Year	0.00	39,155.00	0.00	0.00	39,155.00	0.00	19,844.00	19,311.00	0.00	100.000		
Grand Total	52,753.00	39,155.00	0.00	0.00	91,908.00	1,664.00	22,521.20	19,311.00	50,075.80	45.515		

Correspondence Item a.

Good Morning Ms. Nardoni,

As mentioned in my prior response I'd like to provide you with a few additional details about the ConCom's efforts at Merrill Park. I'll address the question you posed from first to last.

1. Number of trees to be removed - The scope of the project will require that 8 trees be removed for the parking area. We are looking to accommodate enough room for approximately 8 cars at most. This newly created parking area will not be paved.
2. Will new trees be planted - Once the grading for the river access is complete we can look at replanting a few trees in the area that was vandalized this past summer. I believe it's necessary to do so to prevent erosion from occurring on that little peninsular.
3. Work on the left side of the road - Yes that is correct all our efforts are focused on repairing the existing kayak/canoe launch area. This is important not only for residents but for life safety because our fire fighters use the area for river access to. There are no plans to disturb anything on the right side of the road at this time.
4. Cars on the right side of the road - The plan calls for large stones to be place along the top of the embankment to prevent cars from accidently rolling into the river itself. To address the concern you point out I will ask that a few additional stones be place on the right side of the road.

As for future use of the park for trailered boat access. It is a real possibility that at some point the park will be developed to handle a use such as this. If so the process will be much more involved. More than likely the Planning Board will be an integral part of the site plan process and will hold all discussions in public meeting format to allow input from abutters such as yourself.

Leaf dumping - I did email the towns Public Works Director Jess Forrence and he informed me the highway department does use the park to dump leaves this time of year during street sweeping operations. We can see if another method of disposal would be more appropriate for both snow and leaves.

In closing I would like you to know that our efforts are to improve a very underutilized park and to attracted more residents interested in using the park for river access. Doing so should cut down on some of the problems you brought forward by attracting a better flow of people in and out of the area that want to use it for legitimate purposes. Merrill Park is a gem and one of the few parcels of property along the Merrimack that lends itself to recreational use of the river for canoeing and fishing. Improvements to it are long overdue!

I will include your email and my responses to your questions in our November meeting packets. You are more than welcome to attend our meeting if there are any other matters you'd like to address.

Thank you again,
Bill Collins
Chairman
Hudson Conservation Commission
Hello Ms. Nardoni,

My apologies to you for my oversight during the October 17th HCC meeting. Our meeting format is not structured like the regulatory boards we have in town so we tend to review the projects we are working on during our meetings.

Shortly after you left I did ask Mrs. Jacoby if she had anything she'd like to discuss, she mentioned that she attended the meeting with you to hear what was planned for the park. We will continue to discuss the improvements to the launch area at Merrill Park as this project is still in the planning and permitting phase so there will be opportunity for you to provide input at a future meeting. As for your question below I'll do my best to get the answers to you in a follow up email later this week.

Thank you for your time
Bill Collins
Chairman
Hudson Conservation
Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 24, 2022, at 7:38 PM, Hudson New Hampshire <noreply@hudsonnh.gov> wrote:

Thank you. Your submission has been received. Submitted on Monday, October 24, 2022 - 7:38pm Form:
Contact a Board or Committee Form ID: 42624 Submission ID: 29287 Your Contact Information
First Name Katherine
Last Name Nardoni
Phone Number 978-726-6306
Email knardoni@aol.com
Select the Board or Committee you would like to contact Conservation Commission
Question/Comments you'd like to share
To: Conservation Commission
Re: Merrill Park

I attended the Conservation Committee meeting last Monday, Oct 17, 2022, hoping that I would have a chance to ask questions and voice my concerns about Merrill Park. Unfortunately I was not given that opportunity.

As a point of clarification: the agenda has a place for the public to comment on items that are not on the agenda. At what point in the meeting does the public have an opportunity to speak to agenda items?

I have a number of questions and I am asking that the questions and answers become a part of the public packet for the November 14th meeting. I look forward to hearing your response to my concerns.

How many trees will be cut down to put in the parking lot? (pave paradise, put in a parking lot)
Will trees be planted elsewhere in the park to replace them (on the shore where three trees were vandalized early this summer, perhaps)?

All planned work seemed to be on the left side of the road going in (as you face the river), are there any plans for the road going down to the right. I thought cars were not supposed to go down that road, but I have almost been hit by cars speeding out of there. I have also found beer cans with bullet holes in them on the rocks at the end of the road.

You mentioned someday putting in a boat ramp, but Maple Avenue is posted "no trailers" because it is a very narrow road. How will that work if you put in a boat ramp?

I'm not sure who sweeps the streets in Hudson (the town?) but I am wondering why the street sweeper went into the park (on Thursday, 10/20), backed up - apparently dumping whatever they had swept up and left. Shouldn't the town dump be used for dumping, not a public park? It appeared to be mostly leaves that were dumped, but road waste can have a lot of hazardous material and should never be put in a public park. I know that snow from the roads is also dumped in the park and I wonder how this keeps the park clean, safe and free from toxins that will leach into the river.



The State of New Hampshire
Department of Environmental Services



Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

Correspondence Item b.

October 18, 2022

William Collins, Chair
Conservation Commission
Hudson Town Hall
12 School Street
Hudson, New Hampshire 03051

Dear Chair Collins and Conservation Commission Members:

In June of 1990 the State Legislature designated the Lower Merrimack River as a protected river under the New Hampshire Rivers Management and Protection Program (RMPP). When the designation became effective, the Lower Merrimack River joined a select group of rivers designated under the RMPP. Designation calls for protection and management of New Hampshire's outstanding rivers through a two-tiered approach: *state* protection of instream values combined with *local* management of riparian lands. The RMPP is administered by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) under RSA 483.

Shortly after the river's designation, a Lower Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee (LAC) was formed to give the local communities a voice in the management of the river that flows through their cities and towns. The Lower Merrimack River LAC has been comprised of a small but dedicated group of individuals who have successfully promoted and protected the river. The LAC has participated in river cleanups and education efforts, collected water quality data, and advocated for public access to the river. Members continue to review state permit applications for projects adjacent to the river, giving communities a local voice in the state permitting process.

The Lower Merrimack River LAC has begun work on a community-driven process to update its river corridor management plan to guide concerted actions along the river. These plans are authorized by RSA 483:10 and do not have regulatory effect unless implemented through properly adopted municipal ordinances. However, management plans are a powerful tool to guide the protection of the important and unique public values for which the river was designated. As the LAC embarks on this project, we want to ensure that the Town of Hudson is fully represented on the committee. One of the strengths of the RMPP is its reliance on the active involvement of local citizens and the participation of each of the riverfront communities.

NHDES is now seeking your help to identify up to four individuals interested in serving on the Lower Merrimack River LAC to represent the Town of Hudson. With the recent resignation of George Russell, Hudson is currently unrepresented on the committee. The duties of the Local Advisory Committee under RSA 483:8-a are four-fold and include:

- a. To advise me as Commissioner, the statewide Rivers Management Advisory Committee, and the municipalities through which the designated river flows, on matters pertaining to the management of the river.

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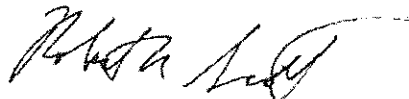
- b. To consider and comment on any federal, state, or local government applications or plans to approve, permit, license, fund, or construct facilities that would alter the resource values and characteristics for which the river or river segment is designated.
- c. To develop or assist in the development and adoption of local river corridor management plans. The local planning board may adopt such plans pursuant to RSA 675:6 as an adjunct to the local master plan adopted under RSA 674:4. No such plan shall have any regulatory effect unless implemented through properly adopted ordinances.
- d. To report biennially to the statewide Rivers Management Advisory Committee and me, and annually to municipalities, on the status of compliance with federal and state laws and regulations, local ordinances, and plans relevant to the designated river and corridor.

LAC members must be New Hampshire residents and are nominated to the committee by the municipality they represent. These nominations are then confirmed by the statewide Rivers Management Advisory Committee. Members represent a broad range of interests including, but not limited to, local government, business, conservation, recreation, agriculture, and riparian landowners (those who own property adjacent to the river). Each member serves a term of three years. In the past, NHDES has found municipal officials - including planning board members, conservation commissioners, and members of the board of selectmen - to be valued and dedicated LAC members.

Please find attached a [Local River Management Advisory Committee Nominee Form](#) for your convenience.

NHDES appreciates your anticipated cooperation and participation in these efforts to protect and manage New Hampshire's rivers. Local Advisory Committees play a key role in the state-local partnership that is one of the cornerstones of the Rivers Management and Protection Program. Please contact Tracie Sales, Rivers and Lakes Programs Administrator, at 271-2959 if you have any questions regarding the RMPP or the nomination process.

Sincerely,



Robert R. Scott
Commissioner

Attachment

cc: Kara Roy, Chair, Hudson Board of Selectmen
Timothy Malley, Chair, Hudson Planning Board
Francis Murphy, Chair, Lower Merrimack River LAC
Tracie Sales, Rivers and Lakes Programs Administrator, NHDES

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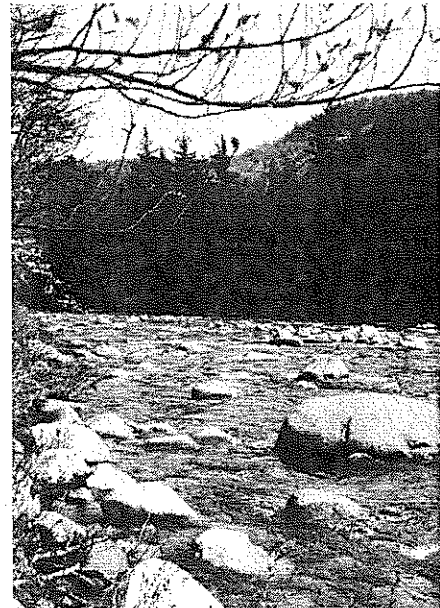
The New Hampshire Rivers Management and Protection Program

New Hampshire's Rivers

From the long, wide Connecticut River, which forms the western boundary of our state, to the short, steep Wildcat Brook in Jackson, New Hampshire's rivers and streams are widely recognized for their outstanding values and diversity. Throughout the years, these rivers have provided a home for a variety of plants and animals, turned the turbines that powered our mills and factories, served as vital transportation routes and recreation areas, and graced our state with their scenic beauty.

Today our rivers are in even higher demand. Rivers are dammed and diverted to provide public drinking water, flood protection, and hydro-electric power. Growing populations have led to increasing riverfront development and use of our rivers for waste assimilation. Free-flowing rivers are valued for fishing, boating, and nature study.

In 1988, the state Legislature responded to the increasing and competing uses of our rivers by creating the New Hampshire Rivers Management and Protection Program (RMPP). The purpose of the program is to protect our state's significant river resources for the benefit of present and future generations through a unique combination of state and local resource management and protection.



The Program

The Rivers Management and Protection Act of 1988 (RSA 483) established a statewide rivers program based on a unique cooperative approach: *State* designation of significant rivers to manage and protect the river's values and characteristics and *local* development of river corridor management plans for shorelines and adjacent lands to protect river resources. The RMPP is administered by NHDES and is staffed by a Rivers Coordinator. The act also established the statewide Rivers Management Advisory Committee (RMAC) and the river-specific Local River Management Advisory Committees (LACs). RMAC members represent a wide range of river interests and work closely with NHDES in an advisory capacity on statewide river issues while LAC members focus on grassroots-level protection efforts on each river.

State Designation

Nomination: A river or river segment may be nominated for state designation by any citizen or organization in the State. Sponsors must submit a description of the river's values and characteristics to the Commissioner of

New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES). Each river nomination is evaluated by the NHDES Commissioner to ensure that the river's designation would be consistent with the purpose of RSA 483. If the commissioner determines that the river or river segment meets the criteria in RSA 483:6, the nomination is forwarded to the State legislature.

Legislative Action: The final step in the designation process is the State legislature's consideration of a bill to designate the nominated river. When the bill is passed and signed by the governor, this formally designates the river into RMPP. Each designated river is protected and managed to maintain and enhance instream river values such as water quality and instream flows.

Local Implementation: An important and unique feature of the RMPP is the opportunity for municipalities to participate, through the LACs, in multi-town river corridor planning and implementation efforts. A LAC is appointed for each designated river. Each LAC is comprised of RMAC-appointed representatives from the riverfront municipalities and is responsible for developing a local river corridor management plan and reviewing and commenting on activities affecting the river that require local, state or federal permits. The river corridor includes the river and the land area located within 1,320 feet of the normal high water mark or to the landward extent of the 100-year floodplain as designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, whichever distance is larger. LAC representatives come from a broad range of interests including, but not limited to, local government, business, conservation, recreation, agriculture and riparian landowners. This diversity helps bring a variety of perspectives to bear on resource protection and development issues. Because the river corridor management plan is locally developed and implemented, it reflects the specific needs of the individual river combined with the interests and concerns of local citizens. NHDES provides technical assistance to LACs on corridor management planning and other issues.

Protected Rivers

As of 2018, there were 19 rivers or river segments included in RMPP, resulting in more than 1,000 miles of designated rivers in the state. The designated rivers include:

Ammonoosuc River	Merrimack River (Lower)
Ashuelot River	Merrimack River (Upper)
Cocheco River	Oyster River
Cold River	Pemigewasset River
Connecticut River	Piscataquog River
Contoocook & North Branch Rivers	Saco River
Exeter & Squamscott Rivers	Souhegan River
Isinglass River	Swift River
Lamprey River Watershed	Warner River
Mascoma River	

Questions and Answers

How does a designation protect a river?

The RMPP provides certain instream protection measures for designated rivers and a river classification system to match general river characteristics with the specific protection measures. According to RSA 483:7-a, rivers can be classified as natural, rural, rural-community, or community. For each river classification, State law establishes specific protection measures which pertain to structures and activities within the river; these include dams, hydroelectric energy facilities, channel alterations, maintenance of water quality, protected instream flows, inter-basin water transfers, and recreational uses of those river segments classified as "natural." The specific protection measures that pertain to the river corridor include the siting of solid and hazardous waste facilities. See factsheet *R&L-14, Protective Measures for Designated Rivers* for a summary of protections provided for designated rivers by classification.

In addition, as of 2008, designated rivers benefit from the protective measures of the Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act, RSA 483-B, regardless of the size of the river. Therefore, while all fourth order and higher rivers in New Hampshire are subject the Shoreland Act, first, second, and third order streams that have been designated into the RMPP, with the exception of the first through third order designated river segments in the Lamprey watershed and the first through third order portions of the Oyster River, are also protected under RSA 483-B. For first, second and third order river segments designated after 2015, jurisdiction of the Shoreland Program is limited to the land area within 50 feet of the river's normal high water mark. Factsheet *R&L-15, Application of Shoreland Protections to Designated Rivers* describes the river protections afforded by the Shoreland Program.

What does the RMPP provide that is not offered by other existing State laws and programs?

River designation increases public awareness of the river and creates a local community planning and management effort centered specifically on the river and its resources. The establishment of a LAC creates a forum for multi-town and multi-interest coordination of efforts to protect and manage valuable river resources and creates an incentive for the riverfront communities to adopt and implement local river corridor management plans. The plans include recommendations regarding the use and conservation of the shoreline and adjacent lands within the river corridor. The plans shall not have any regulatory effect unless implemented through properly adopted local ordinances.

Designation can also promote public interest and a sense of respect or stewardship for the river and its resources by the citizens and local officials in the adjacent communities. As a result, future development is more apt to take place in a manner which assures that the valued river resources are maintained. A state designated river may also be targeted by various assistance programs, thereby increasing the probability that the efforts of various local river interests will be successful.

Will designation affect local land use control in the river corridor? (Are my rights as a riverfront landowner in jeopardy?)

By law, the only land use protection measures that are added with a river designation are those for solid and hazardous waste facilities, and, for first, second and third order streams, those described in the Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act. The Rivers Management and Protection Act strengthens existing waste management regulations along designated rivers, and the Shoreland Act protects water quality and personal property by establishing buffers and setbacks for new construction. There are no other development restrictions in the Rivers Act; what is a local decision before a river is designated is a local decision following designation. The Act specifically states "...notwithstanding the provisions of RSA 483-B, that nothing in this chapter shall be interpreted to preempt any land and zoning authority granted to municipal bodies under RSA title LXIV" (Planning and Zoning), and any local zoning regulations that are more protective of the river will take precedence over the State regulations of the RMPP and SWQPA.

As a riverfront landowner, how will I benefit from RMPP?

River designation can increase respect for property rights and heighten recognition of the valuable contribution which landowners already make in river protection. Issues such as trespassing, litter, liability, and erosion affect or infringe upon the rights of riparian landowners. Designation can also promote a greater public understanding and awareness of the unique problems and issues faced by landowners. The resulting increase in public understanding and interest in issues important to property owners can bring technical assistance, funding, and other support to help address and solve such problems.

For More Information

For further information about the New Hampshire Rivers Management and Protection Program, visit the [NHDES website](#) and search for RMPP, or contact the Rivers Coordinator, 29 Hazen Drive, PO Box 95, Concord, NH 03302-0095; (603) 271-2959; riversprogram@des.nh.gov.



LOCAL RIVER MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE NOMINEE FORM



New Hampshire Rivers Management and Protection Program

RSA 483:8-a

Please complete both sides of this form and email to riversprogram@des.nh.gov. Please type "NOMINEE FORM" and nominee's name in the subject line. Forms can also be sent by mail to: Rivers Coordinator, NHDES, 29 Hazen Drive, P.O. Box 95, Concord, NH 03302-0095. For questions please contact the Rivers Coordinator at 271-2959.

Nominee Information

Nominee Name:		Date:
Street Address:		
Town:		Zip Code:
Phone (home):	Phone (cell):	Phone (work):
Email:		

Nomination Information

Type of Appointment -	<input type="checkbox"/> New Appointment	<input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment
River Name:		
Type of Representation -	Municipality:	Other:
Please state your interest(s) in serving on the Local River Management Advisory Committee:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture
<input type="checkbox"/> Business	<input type="checkbox"/> Recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> Riparian Landowners
<input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify: _____		

Board of Selectmen or Authorized Signature(s) – REQUIRED (e-signature acceptable)

Name:	Title:
Name:	Title:
Name:	Title:
<p><i>Note: By statute, the New Hampshire Rivers Management Advisory Committee appoints the Local River Management Advisory Committee (LAC) members for each Designated River from nominees submitted by the local governing bodies through which the Designated River flows (RSA 483:8-a).</i></p>	

(603) 271-2959 riversprogram@des.nh.gov
 PO Box 95, Concord, NH 03302-0095
www.des.nh.gov

Additional Information

Please include a short description of your relevant background knowledge of local river-related issues or general river management and protection:

Most Local Advisory Committees engage in a variety of activities. Reviewing those activities listed below, please check those that are of most interest to you:

- Grant Writing
 Public Education
 Committee Administration
 Event Organization
 Public Relations
 Management Plan Preparation/Implementation
 Other, please specify: _____

Most Local Advisory Committees meet monthly. In some cases they may meet more frequently to complete specific tasks, while in other cases your attendance may not be required at all meetings. Please check one of the boxes below to indicate your availability to attend regularly scheduled meetings:

- I can attend monthly meetings on most weeknights
 I can attend monthly meetings only if scheduled on a specific weeknight
 I can only attend a limited number of monthly meetings
 I cannot attend monthly meetings, but am willing to complete tasks on behalf of the Committee

For NHDES Office Use Only

LAC Member List and Contacts Database updated (date):
LAC Chair and Nominee have been contacted regarding nomination on (date):
RMPP Staff recommends appointment to the Rivers Management Advisory Committee - <input type="checkbox"/> Approve RMPP staff: _____ Date: _____
Appointment confirmation sent to municipality and LAC Chair on (date):

(603) 271-2959 riversprogram@des.nh.gov
 PO Box 95, Concord, NH 03302-0095
www.des.nh.gov

Appointment letter and information packet sent on (date):

Correspondence Item c.

Hello Bill,

Thanks for the prompt response. December is fine for an initial meeting, what day/time does the commission typically meet?

We would also welcome discussions about other potential spaces owned by the Town of Hudson that may be potential sites for future community farm activities.

Hope you have a pleasant week.

Sincerely Yours,

Andrew L. Morin, Executive Director, ReGenerative Roots Association
www.ReGenerativeRoots.org

On Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 4:41 AM Bill Collins <bcoll66956@comcast.net> wrote:
Hi Mr. Morin,

My name is Bill Collins and I'm the current chairman of the Hudson Conservation Commission. I'm sure the commission members would certainly enjoy having a discussion about your group's efforts at one of our future meetings. Would December work for you?

Thanks,
Bill

Sent from my iPhone

Service Report



Correspondence Item d.

Work Order

Work Order Number 00021116
Created Date 10/28/2022

Account Town of Hudson - Robinson Pond
Contact Doreena Stickney
Address Robinson Road
Hudson, NH 3051

Work Details

Specialist Comments to Customer Compiled and submitted to the State the 2022 Year End Report for the aquatic treatment program at Robinson Pond.
Assigned Resource PETE BEISLER

Work Order Assets

Asset	Status	Product Work Type	Specialist Comments to Customer
Robinson Pond	Included		

Service Parameters

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Correspondence Item e.



NHANRS Annual Membership Renewal Reminder – October 2022

Dear NH Association of Natural Resource Scientist members,

I hope this message finds you all well and that you've had an amazing summer and are enjoying the transition into fall! Time certainly flies by and it's hard to believe we are already thinking about the next year to come.

It's that time of year to renew your NHANRS membership for 2023! The Board is hard at work planning for our 2023 Annual Conference where we look forward to connecting with you all.

Your membership and participation in NHANRS is important to the future of our organization and is greatly valued. Please **renew prior to registering for the Annual Conference**. Membership renewal forms can be downloaded from the NHANRS website under *Membership Information* located at <https://nhanrs.com/membership/> and submitted electronically by emailing our Administrative Assistant, Brian at assistant@nhanrs.org. Dues may be paid online through the membership page or by mailing a check with your renewal form to the NHANRS office (PO Box 110, Concord NH 03302). If you have any questions, please contact our Administrative Assistant, Brian, at 603-224-0401 or assistant@nhanrs.org.

Some of the benefits of being a NHANRS member include:

- Discounted admission into NHANRS-sponsored workshops and events
- Representation and advocacy on wetland and natural resource policies at the local and state level
- Email notification of NHANRS' upcoming events
- Networking opportunities with colleagues and friends in your profession
- The Annual Conference, offering Continuing Education Hours beneficial to all disciplines
- Workshops on specific topics, offering Continuing Education Hours to maintain professional licenses and certifications

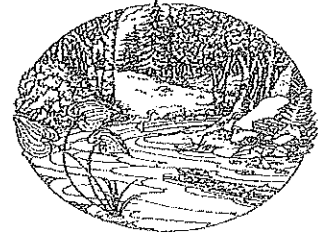
Thank you to all of you for your membership, past and present. See you at the 2023 Annual Conference!

Sincerely,

Sarah Large
NHANRS Membership Chair

New Hampshire Association of Natural Resource Scientists

PO Box 110
Concord NH 03302
603-224-0401
assistant@nhanrs.org



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Name: _____ Date: _____

Membership Category Selected:

ACTIVE*

- Regular \$160.00
- Senior (over 65 yrs old) \$100.00 *(First time appliers: provide photo of drivers license)*
- Public Sector \$ 80.00 *(Written proof of public sector employment or appointment must accompany application)*

AFFILIATE

- Regular \$ 95.00 *(Certified professionals are not eligible)*
- Public Sector \$ 45.00 *(Written proof of public sector employment or appointment must accompany application)*

CONSERVATION COMMISSION GROUP

- \$ 30.00 *(Individuals provide proof from municipality of current Commission membership when registering for a workshop or event)*

STUDENT

- \$ 25.00 *(Provide proof of current student status)*

**Active Membership (new) requires formal approval by the NHANRS Board of Directors. Eligibility for a new Active membership requires a copy of the individual's NH Joint Board Certification (OR transcripts and resume) accompanied by two Sponsor Forms from current active NHANRS members. See further details on page 2 regarding Sponsor Forms.*

SEND NHANRS CORRESPONDENCE TO: Home Address Business Address (check one)

Company: _____ County: _____

Business Address: _____

City/Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Address: _____

City/Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Business Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

[Form continues on second page]

APPLICATION INFORMATION FOR ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP

PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINE(S): *(please check all that apply)*

Wetland Science Soil Science Wildlife Forestry

Candidates for Active Membership must provide either proof of N.H. Joint Board Certification corresponding with the professional discipline(s) listed above, or transcripts and their resume. In addition, all Active Membership applicants must provide two Sponsor Forms. *Sponsors must be active NHANRS members in the professional discipline for which you are applying.* If you are applying for membership associated with multiple professional disciplines, two Sponsor Forms *per discipline* are required. Please list the names of your Sponsors on the lines below. Forward Sponsor Forms to the names you list below and ask them to mail or email the forms to NHANRS (assistant@nhanrs.org). Applications are incomplete until all items are received!!

Discipline 1: _____
Discipline 2: _____
Discipline 3: _____

ADDITIONAL REQUESTED INFORMATION: *(please check all that apply)*

N.H. Certified Wetland Scientist: N.H. Certified Soil Scientist:
Certified Wildlife Biologist®: N.H. Licensed Forester:
CPESC: CESSWI:

Please check if you are interested in joining any of the following committees:

Education Legislative Communications Membership

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____
Check #: _____

I certify that all materials submitted are true: _____
(Signature)

Please make your check payable to NHANRS

Dues as outlined above are effective for the CURRENT Membership Year

Because of lobbying activities, membership dues and gifts to NHANRS are not tax deductible as charitable contributions for Federal income tax purposes. However, they may be tax deductible under other provisions of the IRS code.



TOWN OF HUDSON

Conservation Commission



William Collins, Chairman Dave Morin, Selectmen Liaison

12 School Street • Hudson, New Hampshire 03051 • Tel: 603-886-6008 • Fax: 603-816-1291

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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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



TOWN OF HUDSON

Conservation Commission



William Collins, Chairman Dave Morin, Selectmen Liaison

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DATE: October 22, 2022

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- I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON AT 9:00 A.M.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. SEATING OF ALTERNATES

V. Site Walk proposed Hudson Logistics Center

- A. Conditional Use Application, Lowell Road and Steele Road, Tax Map #234, Lots 5, 34 and 35; Map # 228, Lot4; Map# 239, Lot 1

The purpose of the site walk was to evaluate wetland and wetland buffer impacts requested by the applicant as part of future redevelopment of the Green Meadows Golf Course. The plan presented calls for construction of two access roads to reach the upland portion of the property where the applicant plans to construct a 1.4 million SF warehouse. Note: This is an amended Site plan and CUP application to a prior plan approved by the PB and with recommendations by the Conservation Commission back in 2021.

Permanent wetland buffer impact of approximately 152,729 SF and permanent wetland impacts of 50,332 SF are being requested for construction of the roadways and other features of the site.

Various members of the public were in attendance along with the applicants representatives.

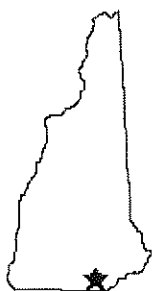
The site walk conclude at 10:36 a.m. with no decision or motions made.

Mr. Dickinson moved to adjourn form the site walk at 10:36 a.m. Seconded by Mr. Pinsonneault. Motion Carried 4/0/0

William Collins

William Collins, Chairman

Next scheduled meeting is set for Monday, October 24, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.



TOWN OF HUDSON Conservation Commission



William Collins, Chairman

Dave Morin, Selectmen Liaison

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DATE: October 24, 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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William Collins
Chairman X

Ken Dickinson
Vice-Chair X

Sandra Rumbaugh
Member E

William Kallgren
Member E

Brain Pinsonneault
Member X

Carl Murphy
Alternate E

Linda Krisciunas
Alternate X

David Morin
Select. Rep. X

Elvis Dhima
Town Engineer X

- I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON AT 7:00 P.M.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. SEATING OF ALTERNATES

Mrs. Krisciunas was seated for William Kallgren

Prior to hearing new business the Conservation Chairman asked if any commission members seated would have a problem applying the towns Zoning Ordinance 334, Article IX (9) Titled Wetland Conservation District in a fair and just manner to the proceeding Conditional Use Permit. All commission members present indicated they could.

V. New Business

- a. Hudson Logistics Center Amended Site Plan & Conditional Use Application, Lowell Road and Steele Road, Tax Map #234, Lots 5, 34 and 35; Map # 228, Lot4; Map# 239, Lot 1

Justin Pasay, Lawyer at Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella, PLLC, out of Portsmouth, NH, representing Hillwood Enterprises, introduces himself and few others from the development team for the project. Those names mentioned included Mr. Brian Kutz V.P. of Development for Hillwood, Mr. Frank Holmes, Langan Engineering. Mr. Brendon Quigley, Gove Environmental and Joe Ozel, Luca Environmental.

Attorney Pasay continued on to thank the commission members for its participation at the site walk held on October 22, 2022 and looked forward to discussing the details of the project. Mr. Pasay continued on with details of the amended site plan telling the commission members that the original projected had been scaled down to one building and the overall wetland impacts were reduced by about 13%. He emphasized that the majority of the impacts were related to the proposed access roads and added that although there were less overall site impacts Hillwood Development would follow through with the commitment made to the town during the original approval process.

Mr. Frank Holmes, Langan Engineering provided the commission members with a presentation that compared and contrasted the approved plan to the amended plan. The presentation showed comparisons between the building footprints, set back distances and open space. Mr. Holmes noted that there was about 36% less impervious surface with the new plan and that the open space increased 25% from 171 acres in the approved plan to 214 acres with revised plan.

Mrs. Krisciunas indicated that she was not part of the original approval process and asked if any consideration was given to accessing the site from the Sagamore Bridge road. Mr. Holmes referred the question to Mr. John Plante who is also part of the Lagan Team. Mr. Plante said the idea was considered but denied by the State of New Hampshire DOT.

Mr. Holmes went on to summarize the new site plan talking about traffic onto and off the site. He described the building height, parking areas and indicated that there would be a guard

house, transportation building and other structures built on the site. Mr. Holmes concluded his presentation with describing the new berm and sound wall location.

Mr. Brandon Quigley, Gove Environmental Services Exeter NH. Mr. Quigley's presentation included a summary of wetlands on site, conditions and types and included some details of the manmade wetland features located on the property. Mr. Quigley reiterated that the majority of wetland impacts were along the proposed access way and went on to describe what those impacts might entail. He added that the wetland crossings were open bottom culverts that exceeded what would be required in similar situations. In summary Mr. Quigley stated that the traffic circle once proposed would no longer be required thus reducing wetland and wetland buffer impacts, the areas to be conveyed to the town for conservation would be subject to an intensive re-naturalization process.

Michael Huntington, Langan Engineering Services presented details about the landscaping of the site in general and restoration of the areas that are part of the existing golf course not slated for construction of the new warehouse. Mr. Huntington stated that the overall strategy would be to protect the existing resources such as the wetland areas and the Merrimack River and to introduce a more biodiverse landscape to the site. He went on to say that a great deal of emphasis will be on the restoration areas adjacent to the Merrimack River on the western side and the wetland buffer areas to the east. Mr. Huntington pointed out that with the shifting of work to the north that a considerable amount of trees would be saved on the southern boundary.

Commission member Dickinson asked if the landscaping budget for the project was adequate enough to address the expanded landscape plan. Mr. Huntington indicated that would be.

Commission member Krisciunas asked what assumption the applicant was using to say whether or not the building would be visible from the river. Mr. Huntington said that the grade of the river and building location was used for the 3d model shown at tonight's meeting.

Mrs. Krisciunas asked about the perimeter fencing and its location. Mr. Holmes said the fencing would be placed around the parking areas and added that the proposed sound fencing would be installed along the top of the berm on the southern edge of the property.

Commission member Pinsonneault if the selection of seed mixes would include types to attract rare or endangered species to the area. Mr. Huntington replied that a variety of planting would be used to attract a diverse population of insects to the site and that would be important to have a good mix of grass and flowers to accomplish this.

Mr. Pinsonneault followed up with asking if there would be a survey of the site for certain reptiles prior to any work. Mr. Huntington said he'd like to refer that question to Joe Ozel from Lucas Environmental for an answer.

Mr. Joe Ozel, CWS, Lucas Environmental came forward to speak about the Wildlife Habitat Evaluation recently undated for this amended plan. He said that an extensive amount of time had been spent mapping the site through aerial photography and on the ground observations. Mr. Ozel referred to the NH Wild Life Action Plan which basically shows the site to be ranked low for wild life habitat. Mr. Ozel went on to emphasize that the most important habitats along Limit Brook and the Merrimack River would benefit from the changes to lighting and restorations proposed.

Mr. Pinsonneault asked again about the survey of rear or endangered species. Mr. Holmes for Langan Engineering said that that was part of the AoT permitting process and that the construction teams would be aware of and obligated to report any sightings.

Mr. Quigley from Gove Environmental added that the NH Fish and Game had reviewed the proposal for the wetland areas and found the proposed plan to be acceptable. He added that the road features to be and drainage features would be built with wildlife in mind.

Commission member Dickinson asked if the wild life survey had been done over a period of time. Mr. Ozel indicated that the surveys were accomplished through a series of site visits.

Commission member Collins asked how much change might be realized to the overall ratings to the Wildlife Habitat Plan. Mr. Ozel indicated that these rating would increase with proposed restorations planned for the project

Attorney Pasay came forward again to clarify the conservation easements to be conveyed to the town and what access limitations would be. He added that there was no other presentations to be made tonight and thanked the commission for its time.

Commission member Collins did ask about the resources for all the planned restorations and whether or not local growers would be selected to provide materials. Mr. Huntington answered that the process for obtaining planting materials started early on in the construction process and that nurseries would most likely provide the bulk of the materials.

Lastly Mr. Collins indicated that there were new members on the commission that had not seen the wetland impact areas along the proposed Green Meadow Drive. He asked if it would be possible to arrange for a second site walk so that these new members could see the impact areas first hand for a more informed decision making process. Applicant rep's Attorney Pasay and Attorney Leonard agreed to look into making arrangements and will contact Town Administrator Dhima with the details. Tentatively Saturday November 12, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. was chosen to complete this task.

Commission member Dickinson asked that the applicant clarify the impact numbers as there seemed to be a conflict between the draft report presented and the application itself. He also referred to an email inquiry about grading and the amount of cut or fill that would be needed to bring the building floor to final grade.

With no other business to attend to Mr. Pinsonneault moved to adjourn tonight's meeting at 8:30 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Dickinson. Motion Carried 4/0/0

William Collins

William Collins, Chairman

Next scheduled meeting is set for Monday, November 14, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.