



TOWN OF HUDSON

Conservation Commission



William Collins, Chairman

David Morin, Selectmen Liaison

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CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA November 13, 2023

The Town of Hudson Conservation Commission will hold its next meeting on **November 13, 2023** 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. New Business:

- a. Eagle Scout Project- Christopher Darbe Troop 20
- b. Conditional Use Permit Application - 78 Highland Street

II. Old Business:

- a. Draft Warrant Discussion continued from October– S. Rumbaugh
(Establishing an Aquifer Protection District)

III. Other Business:

- a. Work Day – December?

IV. Financial Status:

Current Report

V. Correspondence

- a. Correspondence a. Lake Host Program
- b. Correspondence b. NHDES Aquatic Species Control

VI. Approval of Minutes:

- a. Meeting Minutes – October 16, 2023 deferred

VII. Commissioner's Comments:

- VIII. Non Public Session - RSA 91-A:3 II (d) Consideration of the acquisition, sale, or lease of real or personal property which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interests are adverse to those of the general community.**

Next Regular Meeting: Monday, December 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

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Expenditure Report - Including Carry Forward Activity
Conservation Committee
Town of Hudson, NH
As Of: November 2023, GL Year 2024

Account Number	Budget	Prior Year Encumbered	Budget & PY Adjustments	Net Budget	MTD Exp	YTD Exp	Encumbered	Balance Available	%Used
Conservation Fund									
06-0000-6500-000-000	Purchase Property	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	328,452.00	0.00	-328,452.00	0.000
06-4619-5586-202-000	Conserv Comm, Sm. Equipment Mtce	0.00	0.00	2,300.00	0.00	150.00	0.00	2,150.00	6.522
06-4619-5586-217-000	Conserv Comm, Assoc Dues/Fees	1,327.00	0.00	1,327.00	0.00	1,050.00	0.00	277.00	79.126
06-4619-5586-235-000	Conserv Comm, Registration Fees	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.000
06-4619-5586-252-000	Conserv Comm, Prof Services	48,626.00	0.00	76,626.00	0.00	1,200.00	28,000.00	47,426.00	38.107
Total Conservation Fund									
Selected Year	52,753.00	0.00	0.00	52,753.00	0.00	330,852.00	0.00	-278,099.00	627.172
Prior Year	0.00	28,000.00	0.00	28,000.00	0.00	0.00	28,000.00	0.00	100.000
Sort Total	52,753.00	28,000.00	0.00	80,753.00	0.00	330,852.00	28,000.00	-278,099.00	444.382

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Account Number	Budget & PY			MTD Exp	YTD Exp	Encumbered	Balance	
	Budget	Prior Year Encumbered	Adjustments				Net Budget	Available
Selected Year	52,753.00	0.00	0.00	52,753.00	330,852.00	0.00	-278,099.00	627.172
Prior Year	0.00	28,000.00	0.00	28,000.00	0.00	28,000.00	0.00	100.000
Grand Total	52,753.00	28,000.00	0.00	80,753.00	330,852.00	28,000.00	-278,099.00	444.382



TOWN OF HUDSON
FINANCE DEPARTMENT



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To: Conservation Commission
From: Kathy Carpentier, Finance Director 
Date: February 11, 2013
Subject: Financial Overview

Items to cover:

1. Conservation Funds Available – see attached
2. Invasive Weed Control Project
3. Appropriations Raised by Taxation
4. Gross Appropriation Budgeting Example
 - Total Cost of Project \$44,500
 - Grant Revenue \$17,800
 - Net Appropriation Raised by Taxes \$26,700

**Town of Hudson, NH
Conservation Funds Available**

<u>As of</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
6/30/2012	Conservation Commission Fund	793,127.18
12/31/2012	Conservation Land Capital Reserve Fund	544,881.93 (1)
12/31/2012	Pond Reclamation Capital Reserve Fund	10,189.37 (2)
	Donations	
12/18/2012	Conservation Commission	1,446.31
12/18/2012	Hudson Ponds	3,050.00
12/18/2012	Robinson Pond	750.00
12/18/2012	Otarnic Pond	1,191.82
	FY13 Consv Comm Operating Budget	35,639.00 (3)
1/23/2013	FY13 YTD Expenses	(17,403.41)
	FY14 Consv Comm Operating Budget	36,926.00 (4)
	Total Funds Available from All Sources	<u><u>1,409,798.20</u></u>

- (1) Town Vote needed to expend (CRF established 3/13/01)
- (2) BOS Agents to Expend (CRF established 3/9/10)
- (3) FY13 also includes \$14,000 BUDGETED GF Revenue
- (4) FY14 DOES NOT include Budgeted Revenue

prepared by: K. Carpentier 
date: February 11, 2013

Correspondence a.

Re: Register Now: Bringing the Lake Host Program to the Lake You Love - a Webinar on Nov. 15 from 7-8 PM

Email from Glenn and Jane Bowles: Register Now: Bringing the Lake Host Program to the Lake You Love - a Webinar on Nov. 15 from 7-8 PM

GB

From: Glenn and Jane Bowles <glennabowles@yahoo.com>

10/29/2023 5:03 PM

To Gail Quinlan, Jim Kegley and 7 others

Note: This email was also sent as BCC to 21 other Friends of Robinson Pond.

On Sunday, October 29, 2023 at 04:55:11 PM EDT, Glenn and Jane Bowles <glennabowles@yahoo.com> wrote:

Hudson Ponds need your help to restore Lake Host Programs to our ponds. Please read Erin's email below where she states: Clean water, healthy wildlife, and stable property values depend on a healthy lake free of invasive species

Prior to COVID Hudson Ponds had vibrant Lake Host Programs organized by Jim Kegley (Robinson) and Gail Quinlan (Ottarnic). Recently we have been unable to sustain the program in spite of receiving NH LAKES grants to fund the program. Lake hosts are particularly needed on week-ends, holidays, and some evenings. There are both paid and volunteer positions available. They play a vital roll in preventing Invasive Aquatic plants and animals from entering or leaving our ponds when they offer voluntary boat & trailer inspections while sharing information about "Clean, Drain, Dry".

If you, or someone you know, is interested in learning the 'how, what, why' of Lake Hosting **please register for this webinar. We need YOU!**

Clean, Drain, Dry! One of the most significant ways to help is by avoiding the spread of any organisms, plants or algae, from one body of water to another. This is especially important for boaters that may be traveling to different lakes, rivers or ponds in the New England area. Protecting the ecosystem is as easy as this: clean, drain, dry!

- **Clean** off any mud, plants, animals or algae from boats, trailers and equipment.
- **Drain** your boat and equipment away from the waterbody.

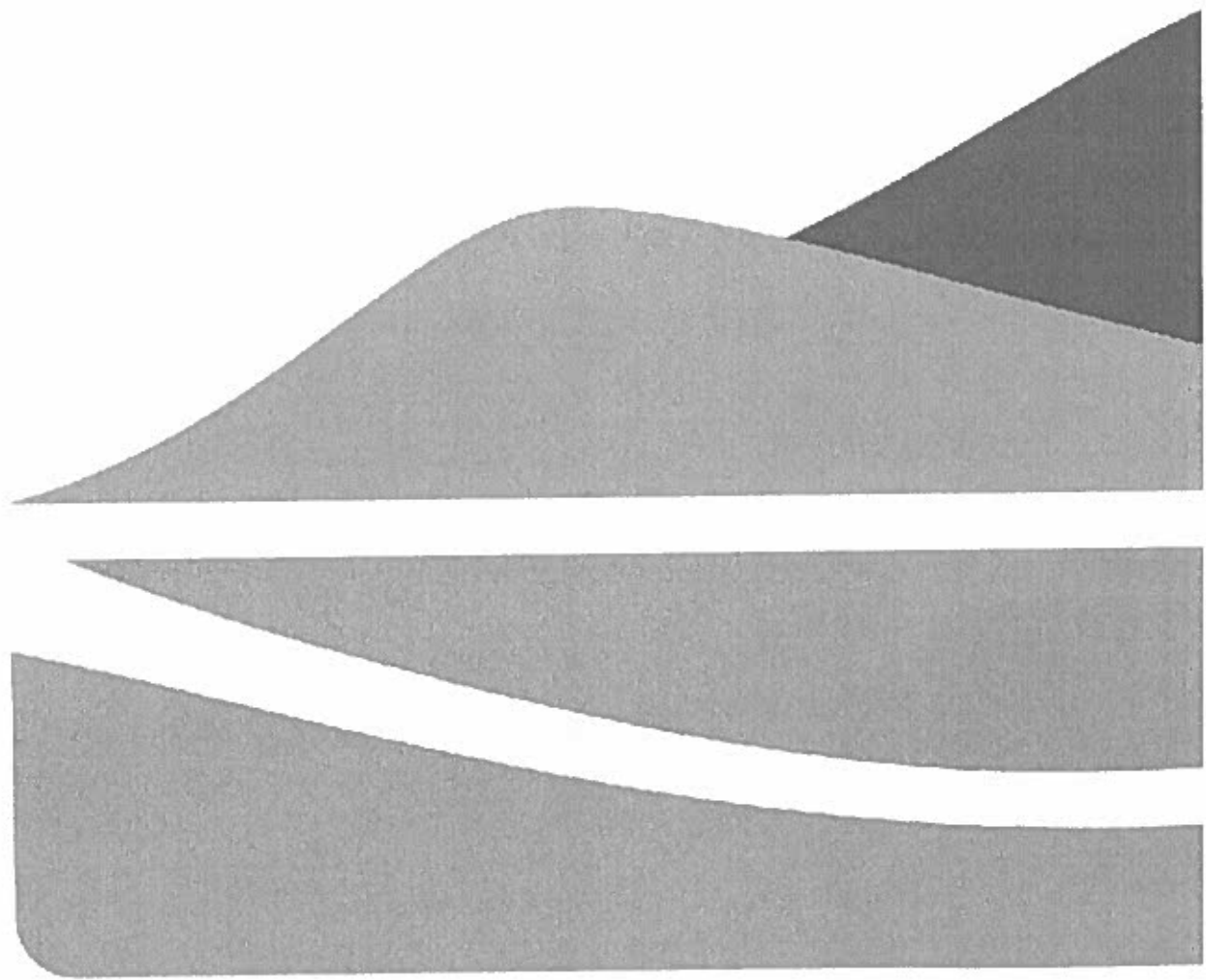
- **Dry** anything that comes into contact with the water

Fwd from Jane Bowles, Friends of Robinson Pond

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: Erin M. at NH LAKES <erinm@nhlakes.org>

If you're having trouble viewing this email, you can see it online.



NHI

Do you want to protect the lake you love from invasive species? Join us for an informative webinar on bringing the Lake Host Program to your local lake.

Clean water, healthy wildlife, and stable property values depend on a healthy lake free of invasive species. The NH LAKES Lake Host Program is the first line of defense in protecting our lakes from invasive plants and animals. These lake heroes protect the lakes you love by capturing invasive species that try to sneak in on boats, trailers, and gear.

During the webinar, we will guide you through establishing a program, including the general timeline for running the program in your first year, the Terms of Participation, and whom you need on your Lake Host Team. Gain valuable insights and practical tips to help your Lake Host Program get started!

Join us on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. for our webinar "Bringing the Lake Host Program to the Lake You Love."

This webinar will be presented by Kat Kelleher, NH LAKES, Conservation Program Coordinator. When you register, let us know if you have any specific questions you would like answered!

Pre-registration is required (and FREE!), and space is limited.

Visit <https://nhlakes.org/webinars> to register for this free webinar today, or click on the button below.

[Register Here](#)

A recording will be made available to all registered participants after the webinar.

Working together for the lakes we all love,

Erin Mastine, Outreach Manager

P.S. Please help us spread the word and share this email with your friends, family, or anyone you know who's interested in our lakes. Thank you!

NH LAKES

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Correspondence b.

FW: Exotic Aquatic Plant Control Grants - Updates

Email from Doreena Stickney: FW: Exotic Aquatic Plant Control Grants - Updates

DS

From: Doreena Stickney <dstickney@hudsonnh.gov>

10/30/2023 1:31 PM

To Elvis Dhima, William Collins, Dave Morin

Gentlemen,

I didn't see you copied on this email from Amy Smagula, so I thought I'd pass it along as an FYI. It appears that the funding for the DASH/Herbicide work that we usually do may be in jeopardy.

Thanks,

Doreena Stickney

Engineering Administrative Aide

12 School Street

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From: Smagula, Amy <Amy.P.Smagula@des.nh.gov>

Sent: Monday, October 30, 2023 12:25 PM

To: Smagula, Amy <Amy.P.Smagula@des.nh.gov>

Subject: Exotic Aquatic Plant Control Grants - Updates

EXTERNAL: Do not open attachments or click links unless you recognize and trust the sender.

Hi everyone,

I think my field work has finally tapered off, so as I transition back to the office/desk more, I will be working to roll out the bid guidance for 2024 projects.

A few things to note:

- I will review your individual project(s) and provide bid guidance for you over the next couple of weeks, the email with the bid guidance will let you know how to proceed in obtaining bids, and due dates for those bids. I will send you maps and contractor contact information for 2024 to obtain bids.
- After bids are in, I will work to figure out project grant awards, based on overall request for funds, and what we have available

- If you received a grant in 2023, please send me any invoices you have on hand (that you have not already sent in) so I can process those. Unspent funds get rolled into the next grant cycle. I will process any invoices that are outstanding against the 2023 grants to pay out before those expire on 12/31.
- Important update: Grant funds for 2024 are a little iffy right now, due to some upcoming legislative changes. There will be a bill in the legislature looking to change our program funding. Pending the outcome of that bill, the program funding and the whole program (grants, staff, all activities) could be in jeopardy. I will keep you apprised as I learn more. Long story short, the way we collect program fees (derived from fees associated with boat registrations) is illegal according to Coast Guard regulations. Boat registration fees should not have 'other fees' associated with them. We have been collecting these fees for more than 40 years (before my time with the program), but due to an audit of those funds, it was determined that they cannot be tied to boat registrations. The Exotic Species Program, Search and Rescue, Public Access Programs, and a few others all are part of a fee attached to boat registrations. All of those fees are in jeopardy. We are looking to fix this and find another solution, but it needs to go through the legislature, and depending on how that goes, there could be a pause in funding, the funding could go away, or we could be totally fine. It's too early to tell. I will endeavor to get you grant funds for 2024, if those funds still exist.

Amy

Amy P. Smagula
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Motion to enter into non-public November 13, 2023

_____ moved to enter into non-public at _____ p.m. per - RSA 91-A:3 II (d) Consideration of the acquisition, sale, or lease of real or personal property which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interests are adverse to those of the general community.

Roll Call Vote to enter non-public session:

William Collins	Ken Dickinson	Sandra Rumbaugh	Carl Murphy	Brain Pinsonneault
Member	Member	Member	Member	Member
Linda Krisciunas				
Alternate Member (if seated)				

Non Public entered at _____ p.m.

Discussion, Decisions and Motions

Motion to exit non-public

_____ moved to exit from the HCC Non-Public Session. Motion Seconded by _____ Motion Carries / /

Roll Call Vote to exit non-public session:

William Collins	Ken Dickinson	Sandra Rumbaugh	Carl Murphy	Brain Pinsonneault
Member	Member	Member	Member	Member
Linda Krisciunas				
Alternate Member (if seated)				

After exiting NPS standard motion to seal the minutes.

_____ moved to seal the minutes for the November 13, 2023 HCC Non-Public Session. Motion Seconded by _____ Motion Carries / /

Motion to adjourn

_____ moved to adjourn the meeting. _____ seconded the motion
Motion carried / / Meeting adjourned at _____ p.m.