

8/12/2015 Conservation Commission – Minutes

Attendees

Angela Ficco
Emilee Kenyon
Imants Millers
Scott Orzechowski
Jeremy Rhodes
Frank Richardson
David Sharples
Dale Smith-Kenyon

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:06 PM by Frank Richardson

1) Approval of meeting minutes

Minutes of 6/10 session discussed; edits requested. Motion to approve with edits made by Scott Orzechowski, seconded by Dale Smith-Kenyon, carries

2) Old Business

Dave Sharples reports that a resident on Copperhead road appears to have made unapproved and significant cuts/fills to protected land; detected by aerial survey (part of standard process to map/survey city). DES Report regarding these modifications has been submitted; DES is investigating and both city and DES intent to act; a 20-day notification letter nearly expired at time of meeting.

3) New Business

1. Review of the City of Somersworth's NHDES Wetlands Permit Application for a hand carry boat launch on property located at 105 Salmon Falls Road, in the Agricultural (A) Zoning District, Assessor's Map 53, Lot 01

NHDES permit has been submitted, including the launch itself, path to the launch including switchbacks, stone step at launch, erosion control, and repair of a degraded culvert on access road to site (culvert app. 30' from street entry). Timberland has volunteered to provide volunteer labor to the site.

Frank Richardson recommends using cut material or similar for erosion control at site if feasible, and to clarify note that the temporary work in the riverbed proper will not be machine-based, hand only. Dave Sharples will modify DES note and send to DES prior to Tuesday in hope of speedy approval to take advantage of volunteer labor.

Scott Orzechowski moves to approve with clarification, Angela Ficco seconds, motion carries

2. Review of NH Association of Conservation Commissions annual survey

Survey received; Frank requests that members fill out and submit at close of meeting. Members agree.

3. Somersworth Sustainability Commtee Report

Scott Orzechowski is up for confirmation; possibility of restart/increased activity as a result.

4. Member Items/Reports

Frank Richardson received a notification for annual meeting of NHACC scheduled 11/7/15; encourages attendance.

Frank Richardson notes bed replanting for the High St project will occur per Dave Sharples' request; request was to plant Phlox, missed in change order. City submitted change order and purchased plants, state will reimburse for labor. Frank Richardson recommended Creeping Juniper due to better salt resistance (winter road treatment impact). Dave Sharples confirmed that he'll make certain final plantings are hardy for site conditions.

Scott Orzechowski submitted habitat scoring maps 8/11; resource for Natural Resource Inventory
5. Any other New Business

None raised

4) Workshop Business

None raised

Dale Smith-Kenyon moves to adjourn, Emilee Kenyon seconds, carries. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM

Respectfully submitted, Jeremy Rhodes (Secretary)