

DRAFT
North Hampton Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
October 9, 2018

Administrative:

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m.

Roll Call:

Attendance included Lisa Wilson (Chair), Kathy Grant (Vice Chair), Frank Arcidiacono, Lauri Etela, Shep Kroner, Mike Lynch, and Andrew Vorkink. Members of the public included Amanda Stone, Sara Wise and Mark West.

New Business:

Guest Presentation: Coastal Conservation Plan Presentation by UNH Sea Grant Extension: The Land Conservation Priorities for the Protection of Coastal Water Resources: A Supplement to the Land Conservation Plan for New Hampshire's Coastal Watersheds was presented by Amanda Stone and Lisa Wise on how to conserve key areas for water quality, flood storage (in the context of increasing storms) and public water supplies. The goal is to protect people, property and economy. A NH Coastal Viewer workshop is scheduled for December 4, 2018 (<http://www.nhcoastalviewer.org>).

Three types of North Hampton maps were presented:

Map 1: Flood Risk Reduction Opportunity Areas. This map can be used to: proactively proactive high capacity flood storage lands, create salt marsh restoration plans and protect low-lying lands to allow for future salt marsh migration; identify high risk areas for flooding due to flood risk.

Map 2: Buffers for Water Quality. This map can be used to identify land protection and restoration projects targeted specifically to improve water quality and to create and prioritize riparian buffer protection and restoration plans.

Map 3: Single and Multiple Benefits. This map can be used to: create buffer protection, restoration plans, and land conservation plans; identify the most efficient use of resources and effort, and to help conservation commissions and planning boards review site plans.

NH DES Wetlands Permit Application received on September 28, 2018:

A request for an expedited review to expand an existing pond located at 11 Woodland Road North Hampton, NH; Tax Map 2, Lot 8. Mark C. West of West Environmental, Inc. prepared the application on behalf of Thomas Mosier, the property owner. Mr. West explained that Mr. Mosier would like to enlarge the existing pond and to make it deeper. This application qualifies for an expedited permit because the impacts are less than 20,000 square feet. After some discussion, **a motion was made by Andrew Vorkink, duly seconded by Mike Lynch, to authorize the Chair to sign the NH DES Wetlands Permit n n application for an expedited review.** The motion carried.

Old Business:

Conservation Easement Subcommittee Update:

Andrew Vorkink reported that Kathy Grant discovered that ten acres of conservation land located at the Winterberry subdivision are not included in the Town's database nor marked on the Town maps as conservation land. The Winterberry conservation land will be added to the database and Town maps. A letter will be sent to the Winterberry landowners and/or the president of the Homeowners' Association to inform the landowners that the conservation land has been added to the database and Town maps.

Trails/Conservation Land Maintenance Update:

Shep Kroner volunteered to create a plan to clear a trail on the Fogg property and also volunteered to help clear the trail. He suggested the establishment of a "*Trail Ambassador Program*" and will speak to Mike Caron, a teacher at the North Hampton School to see whether Mr. Caron would like to start a program to encourage students to learn about the trail system in Town and to organize student volunteers to help clear the trails.

Correspondence:

Monitoring Report received September 2018 from Rockingham County Conservation District (RCCD) for Jenkins Conservation Land

The report showed no monitoring infractions.

Other Business:

Conservation Signs – nothing to report at this time

Approval of Minutes:

Approval of September 11, 2018 Draft Minutes: After some discussion, *a motion was made by Kathy Grant, duly seconded by Mike Lynch, to approve the September 11, 2018 minutes as presented.* The motion carried.

Vote to Unseal Minutes for the April 10, 2018 Non-Public Session Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II(d): Acquisition of Land by Donation. A *motion was made by Andrew Vorkink, duly seconded by Mike Lynch, to unseal the minutes.* The minutes were then unsealed.

Approval of Minutes:

Approval of August 14, 2018 Draft Minutes: After some discussion, *a motion was made by Lauri Etela, duly seconded by Mike Lynch, to approve the August 14, 2018 minutes as presented.* The motion carried.

Non-Public Session I and II Pursuant to 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.

A motion was made by Lauri Etela, duly seconded by Mike Lynch, to enter into non-public session. Lisa Wilson then took a Roll Call to enter Non-Public Session at 8:27 p.m.

A motion was made by Mike Lynch, duly seconded by Lauri Etela, to leave the non-public session. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Frank Arcidiacono, duly seconded by Mike Lynch, to seal the minutes and return to public session at 8:46 p.m. The motion carried with a unanimous vote by roll call vote by the Chair.

A motion was made by Kathy Grant, duly seconded by Lauri Etela, to enter into a second non-public session. Lisa Wilson then took a Roll Call to enter Non-Public Session at 8:48 p.m.

A motion was made by Lauri Etela, duly seconded by Mike Lynch, to leave the non-public session at 9:52 p.m. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Lauri Etela, duly seconded by Mike Lynch, to seal the minutes. The motion carried. A roll Call vote was then taken.

There being no further business to discuss, ***a motion was made by Lauri Etela, duly seconded by Mike Lynch, to adjourn the meeting.*** The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Beverly Moore
Recording Secretary

“These minutes were prepared by the Recording Secretary within five (5) business days as required by NH RSA 91-A:2, II. They will not be finalized until approved by the majority vote by the Commission”.