

**TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 25, 2017**

Present: Kathy Thatcher, Chairman; Lynne Borofsky, Pam Walton, Kristin McKeon, Alt. and Amy LaFontaine, Alt.

Kathy moved to appoint Kristin and Amy in place of Jeff and Steve. The motion was seconded by Lynne and passed unanimously.

Greg Hammett has resigned from the Commission.

Pam moved to approve August 28<sup>th</sup> minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Kristin and passed unanimously.

Communication –

A). Lynne reported that Ryan Hoag had notified her that the Sarah Callahan approved dredging project is happening at 47 Lincoln Road.

B). Pam reported that the State wanted to train someone from the Highway Department in spraying insecticides and herbicides. The state hasn't sprayed in 2 years. Kristin reported that there is a State Website identifying invasives throughout the State.

New Permits – NHDOT Route 9 and Chandler Road Regular Maintenance Notification.

Outstanding Permits/Complaints

Planning/Zoning –

A). There is a site visit for the Zoning Board scheduled for October 10<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM at 10 Silverdale Road. The applicant is adding area to the house and removing trees as well as replacing the septic system.

B). Marc Lanoue – Pam is requesting a core sample of the soils used at this property. The fill was brought in without the appropriate permits and is located within the setback.

Report from Selectmen –

A). Rules of Procedure – The Commission would like to meet on another date to discuss the rules of procedure under separate cover. Several of the proposed duties fall outside of the RSA for Conservation Commissions. NHACC has comments on the proposal as well as members of the public. The Commission will meet at 6 PM on October 30<sup>th</sup> to discuss and answer questions. The Selectmen should be invited to the meeting.

B). The Fireworks Ordinance Passed.

C). Bennett Road remains an ongoing discussion.

D). The Selectboard is still working on the erosion at North Shore Beach.

E). The Town Solar Panel Proposal was withdrawn from the ZBA.

Lake –

A). Pam reported that the Lake Level is down to Summer Level. There is a possibility of lowering on Columbus Day.

B). There was a meeting on September 9<sup>th</sup> with the agency in charge of the Lake Management Plan. There has been 50% response. The Selectboard has secured an intern without compensation from Antioch to put in about 225 hours.

Grants/Events – Kyle Lombard, Forest Entomologist and Pathologist, will meet at the Lower Lot on October 6<sup>th</sup> from 3 to 5 to go over a history of Friedsam Forest. All ages are invited.

Trail Development/Land Projects – Lynne moved to expend \$1,000 for replacing the decking on the bridge. She is proposing to expend the balance in the maintenance line of the budget, the balance to come from the Conservation Fund. The motion was seconded by Pam and passed unanimously.

Other –

A). Amy and Lynne attended a potluck last Thursday at Stonewall Farm. The guest speaker was Colin Lawson from Trout Unlimited presenting culvert replacement. One of his methods of slowing water down is to put logs in the stream. This has been a highly controversial topic for the Commission. Colin also applies for grant funding for large projects to improve large distances of streams and rivers and improve water quality. He will be hosting workshops in Hinsdale and Winchester. It would be great if the Road Agent wanted to participate in these workshops.

B). Norm stated that he was applying to SWRPC to study aquatic life and soils, GPS mapping. SWRPC sponsors 2 or 3 towns per year.

C). The trail adopter is working on Indian Pond to Mine Ledge in Wantastiquet.

Public Comment –

A). John Caveney stated that he was concerned about the Rules of Procedure exceeding what the Conservation Commission has the authority to do in NH.

B). Tools & Trailer belong to the Town and the Selectboard should be contacted before items are donated, sold, etc.

C). Pam stated that she attended a workshop about reading survey maps by Barbara Richter.

D). Anna and Gary Cutts – 11 HorseShoe Road Standard Dredge and Fill. Kathy and Pam will meet to look over the application and sign off if appropriate. The application has not been signed off by the Town Clerk yet.

Adjournment – The next meeting will be October 20<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM. Pam will be the Facilitator. The following meeting will be November 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM. Lynne will be the Facilitator. The following meeting is tentatively scheduled for December 18<sup>th</sup>. Steve will be the Facilitator. The meeting adjourned at 9:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Amy LaFontaine  
Secretary

Approved:

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Kathy Thatcher  
Facilitator

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_