



# Gilmanton Conservation Commission

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## Minutes of the Meeting July 10, 2012

**Attending Members:** Tracy Tarr, Chair; Dick de Seve, Vice-chair; Joe Derrick, Member; Patrick Hackley, Member; Sue Hale-de Seve, Alternate, Erin Hollingsworth, Member. Desiree Tumas, Administrator.

**Attending Public:** Lew Henry and Lori Baldwin

### **A. Discussion of Possible Recycling Initiatives with Lori Baldwin, Lew Henry, and Barbara Swanson**

T. Tarr recognized Lew Henry who is in attendance to discuss recycling initiatives.

The Commission briefly discussed the following:

- The need for an “official plan” to present at the SB2 Meeting.
- Flyers previously used were provided and an overview of the previous efforts will be forth coming for review.
- Composting benefits.

The Commission supports recycling and would like to move forward and resurrect the recycling initiatives.

T. Tarr called for further discussions. Hearing none, discussions were concluded.

Commission Members thanked L. Henry for attending and providing information.

Discussions were concluded at 7:28 pm and the subject will be revisited at the GCC Meeting on August 12, 2012.

*Lori Baldwin arrived at 7:50 pm*

*T. Tarr explained the discussions had concluded and provided an update.*

*L. Baldwin provided a copy of the Minutes from Town Meeting related recycling efforts.*

*The Commission briefly discussed the previously approved traffic circulation plan for the Transfer Station. Also noted was the NH DOT approved driveway permit was due to expire. It was explained that renewal simply requires application to the NH DOT.*

*T. Tarr thanked L. Baldwin for attending. Discussions were concluded.*

### **B. Review of June 12, 2012 Minutes**

***D. de Seve moved to approve the June 12, 2012, Minutes of the Meeting as amended, E. Hollingsworth seconded the motion as stated; the motion passed with a 4-0 vote of the June 12<sup>th</sup>, attending members.***

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**C. Review of June 1, 2012 –Twigg Barn Cleanup**

It was noted that the June 1, 2012, date was incorrectly noted on the Agenda. The correct date of the barn cleanup was **July 1, 2012**.

J. Derrick and P. Hackley, assisted with the barn cleanup.

A quorum was not established with two attending Commission Members. Without an established quorum in attendance, Minutes are not required.

It was explained that Mr. Twigg had an appointed representative onsite to assist with evaluating the contents of the barn and determined what was to be kept and what was to be disposed of.

Significant progress was made. However, there were still items remaining that needed to be evaluated.

P. Hackley noted the barn seemed to be in good condition.

T. Tarr called for further discussion. Hearing none, discussions were concluded.

**D. Wetland/Shoreland/Biosolid/Intent to Cut/Forestry Notifications Applications**

**1. New Applications**

The following Shoreland Impact Permit was reviewed:

- (131-26) Mike E. Mitsch, 9 Tepi Lane – Shellcamp

The following Land Resource Complaint File was reviewed:

- (122-88) Richard Bakos, 315 Hemlock Drive – Sawyer Lake

It was noted that the Complaint was filed with NH DES and copy was received on May 18, 2012.

The Commission did not review the correspondence at the June meeting due to the shortened meeting.

Members went on to discuss the process by which a shoreland complaint is handled.

The following Wetland and Shoreland Request for Permit Time Extension was reviewed:

- (414-74.2) Paul Darbyshire, NH Route 140, near Sawtooth Road.

The following Intent to Cut Wood or Timber were reviewed:

- (414-93) Daryl B. Hoitt, 159 Joe Jones Road
- (403-18 & 19) Yvonne M. Williams Trust, Durrell Mountain Road
- (418-67) Stephanie C. & Michael McQuade, 399 Stone Road
- (415-55) Debra A & Thomas W. Buckingham, Jr., Stone Road
- (408-32) Gregg & Judith D. Williams, Mountain Road
- (114-15 & 16) Ruth & Richard J. Puleo, Jr., 1742 NH Route 140
- (423-67) Joseph A. LeBlanc, Jr., & Alfred C. LeBlanc, 339 Loon Pond Road

**2. Old Applications**

There were no discussions taken up on old applications.

**E. Land Protection Projects**

**1. Twigg Land Conservation Project**

T. Tarr questioned if all Members had received the email updates from T. Howe.

T. Tarr will forward the emails to Members and will request the addition of Member contact information.

Two tours of the Twigg Conservation Project have been scheduled on July 22, 2012 and August 12, 2012, at 1:00 pm. Project Manager Tom Howe will co-lead each trip. The full tour will take about two hours.

There will be a flax retting and linen making demonstration on July 28, 2012, at the Meetinghouse Pond property.

The Commission discussed, without conclusion, possibly setting up a display table with information about the Twigg Land Acquisition, at the transfer station.

T. Tarr called for further discussions. Hearing none, discussions were concluded.

**2. Landowner request for GCC Review of Lots as Possible Conservation land (Tax Map 130, Lots 27 and 28)**

Following brief discussion, the Commission concluded that T. Tarr would complete a Land Protection Guidelines & Checklist Form and respond to the property owner.

**3. Landowner request for GCC Review of Lots as Possible Conservation Land (Tax Map 405, Lots 57, 66, and/or 67)**

The Commission had previously considered the subject parcel. T. Tarr will contact N. Mitchell for information regarding the parcel history.

An update will be provided at the August 12, 2012.

**F. Land Stewardship and Management**

**1. Thompson Town Forest**

The timber harvest contract will have to be reviewed and approved by the BOS.

P. Hackley will coordinate a date with the Town Forester and T. Warren. The BOS are on the summer schedule and the board meets every other week. The BOS will be meeting on July 16<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>.

Commission Members discussed and agreed that the Town Forester should be compensated for his time to meet with the BOS.

The Commission briefly discussed whether or not a Commission Member Site Walk would be possible once the site was marked.

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P. Hackley will discuss the possibility with the Town Forester.

It was mentioned at a previous meeting that photos could be taken from the beginning stages of the harvest through completion for educational purposes. Discussions will be revisited at a later time.

- 2. Update on Conservation/Education Outreach** – No discussions were taken up.
- 3. Update on Trail Map Development** – No discussions were taken up.
- 4. Review of Ongoing Easement Monitoring**
  - a. Cogswell Mountain**

Monitoring was completed in 2011. The form received is for the 2012 monitoring that will be done in the fall.

**G. Suncook River Nomination**

LRPC has concluded attempts to nominate the Suncook River, with only two towns committed to participating in the process.

There will be no further action or discussion on the matter.

**H. ArcGIS**

Following discussion regarding the need to incur the cost of \$300 for a ESRI Maintenance Plan, the Commission decided to pass on the expense.

T. Tarr called for a motion.

***E. Hollingsworth moved to forego purchasing the \$300.00 ESRI Maintenance Plan for the ArcGIS program, D. de Seve seconded the motion as stated; the motion passed unanimously.***

- I. Review of Invoices/Costs/Budget** – No discussions were taken up.

**J. Planning Board/Zoning Board applications**

At the request of the Assessor, the Planning Board is looking into compliance with the conditions of approval on Willowgrass Lane Subdivision.

If available, updated information pertaining to the easement on Willowgrass Lane will be provided.

**K. Zoning District Regulations – Permitted Uses and Special Exceptions**

The Planning Board is expected to move forward with the commercial use survey. The Board will then consider the results of the survey when addressing the expansion of the Zoning Ordinance Table of Uses.

**L. Complaints/Violations/Concerns**

- 1. Resident Complaint re: Shoreland Impact Permit 2012-06011534, Hemlock Drive**

See Shoreland Permits for discussions.

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**2. Resident Complaint re: beach sand pile at Loon Pond**

A pile of sand was noted on a parcel on Loon Pond. No permit could be found on file with NH DES.

The Commission will look into the matter. Update will be provided at the August meeting.

**3. Policy re: Complaints** – No new complaints have been received.

**M. New Business** – No new business came before the Commission.

**N. Old Business** – No old business came before the Commission

**O. Correspondence/Announcements**

The Loon Preservation Presentation at the GYRL went very well. Turnout was approximately 30 people. The GYRL provided food and beverages.

**P. Upcoming Dates**

- 1. Next Regular Conservation Commission Meeting, Tuesday, August 14, 2012, 7:00 pm**

**Q. Adjourn**

***E. Hollingsworth moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 pm, D. de Seve seconded the motion as stated; the motion passed unanimously.***

Respectfully submitted,

Desiree Tumas  
Administrator