



Londonderry Conservation Commission  
Tuesday, August 11, 2020  
Minutes

**Present:** Marge Badois, Chair; Gene Harrington, Vice Chair; Mike Byerly, member; Mike Noone, member; Bob Maxwell, member; Deb Lievens, member; Mike Speltz, alternate member and Susan Malouin, alternate member;

**Absent:** Richard Floyd, member; and Jocelyn Demas, alternate member

**Also present:** Amy Kizak, GIS Comprehensive Manager; Conservation Officer Aprile; Deb Paul, Town Council Liaison and Beth Morrison, Recording Secretary

Marge Badois called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm with a roll call vote. M Badois appointed M Speltz to vote for R Floyd.

**Unfinished Business**

**Faucher Bridge:** M Badois asked if M Byerly had heard anything from Trailways. M Byerly replied that he has not gone to look at it yet himself.

**Encroachment procedure:** M Noone told the Commission that the key points from the final draft were to have a single point of contact, so that if there are any enforcement issues from the Conservation Commission, you will contact myself (M Noone) and he will contact Officer Aprile. He went on noting that if anyone from the Town has any issues, they will contact Officer Aprile, who would then report back to M Noone. He noted that there will be an encroachment log, so it will be tracked in a spreadsheet. Officer Aprile told the Commission he went out in the evening on the trails with someone from Fish & Game to check on ATVs. M Byerly asked what trails he was on. Officer Aprile replied that he was behind F. W. Webb, and they encountered two motorcycles and two ATVs. M Byerly asked if he is warning or citing the people they encounter. Officer Aprile answered that they are citing them. M Badois asked if it was kids or adults. Officer Aprile said that the man was around fifty years old. He mentioned that there is not a night that goes by where there are no ATV problems.

**Stream Brochure:** M Noone asked if the two attachments of the brochure that A Kizak emailed are the same. A Kizak replied that one was printed and scanned in to have the white border around it. M Noone asked if the Commission would like to move ahead with the printing once they have voted on the brochure. He said that the cost is roughly about \$2,070 in total. M Badois asked if \$2,500 would cover the expenses. M Noone replied that would be okay. M Speltz made a motion to allocate \$2,500 from the Conservation Fund for the purpose of publishing and distributing the Living with a Stream Brochure. D Lievens seconded the motion. The motion passed, 7-0-0, by a unanimous roll call vote. M Speltz asked what the Commission could do about advertising and suggested a letter to the editor for the Times.

**New Business**



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35 **Scobie Pond:** M Badois told the Commission that they never did the Scobie paddle and asked them if  
36 they wanted to. M Byerly commented that it could be done if people brought their own kayaks, but  
37 thought otherwise it would be hard during the current situation with cleaning them.

38 **Reimbursement:** B Maxwell asked to be reimbursed for camera batteries. M Badois said that she could  
39 take care of that with donations from Musquash Field day.

40 **Blazes:** M Byerly told the Commission that he would like to organize volunteers to go and do this in the  
41 fall. He said that historically the Commission had different colors for different trails, but asked if they  
42 would be willing to go with white blazes on all the trails. M Badois asked if the map references the blaze  
43 colors. M Byerly replied that it does. M Badois said they would have to update the maps, but did not feel  
44 that they need to be color coded as the Musquash is well labeled with signage. M Noone commented  
45 that if it was white blazes everywhere, would this not help someone who was lost if all the blazes are  
46 white. B Maxwell remarked that he does not believe that white blazes would be a problem with all the  
47 signage people should be able to figure out where they are. M Speltz mentioned that it is not very far on  
48 most sections of most trails to an intersection that is marked. The consensus of the Commission was  
49 white blazes would be fine. M Byerly said he would start coordinating this for October.

50 **Litchfield trails:** M Badois told the Commission that she received an email from Matt LaFleur of the  
51 Litchfield Conservation Commission stating that they are looking to close a trail that connects to the  
52 Litchfield State Forest. She noted it connects to the Three Sisters Trail and Heron Trail. She said she has  
53 not reached out to them and was going to see if Bob Rimol from Trailways might be involved. A Kizak  
54 commented that they just want to close off the trail that goes into Litchfield, so it is clear that they  
55 cannot go into the state forest. M Speltz asked if that means you cannot hike into the Litchfield State  
56 Forest from Londonderry. A Kizak replied that M Badois should reach out to find out why they  
57 need/want to do this. M Byerly asked if anyone knew what the problem is. A Kizak commented that it is  
58 her understanding, but would clarify with the Litchfield Conservation Commission, that part of the trail  
59 goes over private property and is no longer a valid trail. B Maxwell said that he believes there might be  
60 one or two signs regarding the Litchfield State Forest that would need to be taken down.

61 **Future meetings:** M Byerly asked for a consensus on future in-person meetings, as there have been  
62 some technical issues and he finds it hard to look at plans on a computer. M Badois said that the  
63 Commission can meet in-person in the Moose Hill conference room. B Maxwell and M Speltz both  
64 voiced their opposition to this. The consensus was to continue remote meetings at this point.

65 **Island Donation:** M Badois read a letter from Deanna Mele (Exhibit A) into the record. M Speltz said  
66 that he worked with Mike Malaguti, Town Prosecutor, on a draft of the deed and it calls it the Robie  
67 Animal Habitat. He stated that he does not believe it has been finalized and the Commission could  
68 advocate for the name change, of Robie Natural Area.

69 **Other Business**



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70 **Minutes:** The Commissioners went over the public minutes of July 28, 2020. B Maxwell made a motion  
71 to approve the minutes as presented. M Speltz seconded the motion. The motion passed by a  
72 unanimous roll call vote, 7-0-0.

73 **Adjournment:** M Byerly made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m. G Harrington seconded  
74 the motion. The motion passed, 7-0-0, by a unanimous roll call vote, M Badois, G Harrington, D Lievens,  
75 B Maxwell, M Noone, M Speltz, M Byerly and S Malouin

76 Respectfully Submitted,  
77 Beth Morrison  
78 Recording secretary  
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