Londonderry Conservation Commission
Tuesday, November 26, 2019
Minutes

Present: Marge Badois, Chair; G Harrington, Vice Chair; Bob Maxwell, member; Deb Lievens, member; Mike Byerly, member; Richard Floyd, member; Jocelyn Demas, alternate member; Mike Speltz, alternate member; and Susan Malouin, alternate member

Absent: Mike Noone, member; and Town Council liaison member

Also present: Amy Kizak, GIS Manager/Comprehensive Planner; Officer Aprile, Conservation Ranger; Beth Morrison, Recording Secretary; and David Ellis, Londonderry resident

Marge Badois called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. M Badois appointed S Malouin to vote for M Noone.

DRC - AmeriGas (Map 16 Lot 60-9) - 11 Liberty Dr. - Michael Malinowski: Michael Malinowski introduced himself to the Commission stating that he is here to present a project proposal. M Malinowski explained that they are proposing to add a loading dock to the current building. He commented that they have wetlands on the property and reviewed the plan with the Commission. He said that the building is outside the buffer, but as part of mitigation they are adding a new storm water system. He added they are not proposing any new impervious surface. He said as part of the site plan package there are a number of areas that the Town has flagged for them to clean up, move and consolidate storage tanks away from the buffers. He reviewed the plan of the new loading dock with the Commission. M Speltz asked what the business was. M Malinowski stated they refurbish propane tank that are mostly commercial in nature. G Harrington asked about the parking. M Malinowski stated that they are not proposing any new pavement. M Speltz asked if the building will be torn down. M Malinowski said that the existing dock will be torn down and the new one constructed in its place. M Badois asked the function of the dock. M Malinowski explained how they use it to the Commission. The Commissioners had no comments for the DRC.

Conservation Ranger: Officer Aprile told the Commission that he is running into a lot of hunting issues. M Badois commented that she believes there are more hunting issues than last year as well. Officer Aprile noted that New Hampshire Fish & Game is down eight people right now and pointed out that could be some of the problems. He said they have people coming down to hunt in Londonderry to get their “M” tags. He said that at the end of Kelly Ave, there is a cell tower with a lot of acreage where most of the hunting is coming from. He explained a resident filed a complaint with the Town Manager and Town Attorney regarding this. M Byerly asked if there were violations issues or if people do not like hunting in general. Officer Aprile told him that a resident on 12 Kelly Ave had a person hunting in
camouflage walk through her backyard today. M Byerly pointed out that if a property owner does not post a “no hunting” sign than people can come on to your property. Officer Aprile told him that was correct. He noted that the 22 acre parcel in question off Kelly Ave might be fine with two or three hunters, but with 20 it is a problem. He said the land is in Current Use and asked if they post a “no hunting” sign will their tax rate change. G Harrington said that he believes this to be true. M Speltz suggested publishing an article in the paper, on the website and newsletter, to inform the public about hunting and what they can do about it. G Harrington said that in some states home owners will measure 300 feet from their house out to the woods and mark this area off, to inform hunters where the safety zone is. D Lievens informed Officer Aprile that the monitoring report is back from Ingersoll and there are some concerns that she believes he should take a look at it. B Maxwell told the Commission that he monitored a parcel that abuts Cross Farm and there is fill that has been placed to try and level it. M Speltz said he would take a look at the plan to see if this was noted on it.

**Unfinished Business**

**Hickory Hill/Eversource:** M Badois told the Commission there is nothing new to report.

**DOT:** M Badois said nothing to report.

**Gilcreast Road - Orchard Soil Testing:** M Badois told the Commission that M Noone read the report and spoke to someone that told him New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) will do the next step. M Badois asked if Steve Cotton, Administrative Support Coordinator, needs to be informed of this. M Speltz said he had an email exchange with Steve Cotton pointing out that the owners of the parcel need to be talked to regarding the next steps. He noted this is complicated and said he believes the Commission should meet with the owners to figure out what their plans might be. He commented that it would be great to have a trail from there to the town center, as this was part of the original grant submission. He said that there is Dieldrin in the soil and the questions are why is it there and what can be done about it. A Kizak said that New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) has the report from EnSafe and will need 30 days to review it. She noted that after NHDES has reviewed the report, both NHDES and the Commission will need to come up with a plan together. M Speltz said that is great, but they are leaving out the owners.

**Monitoring:** M Badois said that the Commissioners will meet this Saturday at 10 am at the farm stand at Mack’s for the monitoring.

**WRMPP:** M Speltz told the Commission he attended both the Planning Board and Town Council meetings. He said that he suggested forming a sub-committee to address the recommendations. He said that he felt as if there was a willingness from the Planning Board and Town Council to act on the
recommendations. A Kizak explained that Staff will take on looking at the recommendations and work with the Commission and Planning Board to get them accomplished. M Speltz reiterated a working group would be the best way. A Kizak said that there is Staff on all these Commissions/Boards and feels that is the best way to handle it. She noted that some of the recommendations are already being worked on. She asked the Commission for their recommendations on what they would like to get done first. M Speltz suggested writing a letter to the Town Manager regarding the priorities of the recommendations.

Articles: D Lievens told the Commission that her article was in last week, but she still wanted another article done before Christmas. M Badois suggested articles on bats and septic systems. J Demas offered to write an article on bats.

Annual Report: M Badois told the Commission that she is working on it.

New Business:

Financial Report: D Lievens compiled a report of the last two and half fiscal years and passed the report out to the Commission (Exhibit 1). She reviewed the report with the Commission.

Education project- Aquifers: M Badois told the Commission that she has pictures and definitions on aquifers for the Commission to review. She read from her paper the definition of an aquifer to the Commission (Exhibit 2). She reviewed how a well goes dry from pumping. She said she keeps hearing how Londonderry does not have any aquifers. M Speltz said there is a great review in the Ground Water Resource Management Plan.

Meetings in December: G Harrington said that there is only one meeting in December and suggested appointing a two to three person committee to handle any events that come up during that time. G Harrington made a motion to authorize the Chair to appoint two members to assist the Commission with any pressing issues that need to be addressed after December 10, 2019, before the January 14, 2020 meeting. M Byerly seconded the motion. The motion passed, 7-0-0.

Minutes: The Commissioners went over the public minutes from November 12, 2019. M Byerly made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. G Harrington seconded the motion. The motion passed, 6-0-1, with R Floyd abstaining.

Adjournment: M Byerly made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 p.m. B Maxwell seconded the motion. The motion passed, 7-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
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