

Dalton Conservation Commission

Minutes July 13, 2021

Call to order: 6:30 PM

Members In attendance: Nancy Comeau, Ernie Hannaford, Tamela Swan, Traci Wagner, Miriam Caldwell (alternate – voted to act as member)

Review DCC Mail.

1. NH DOT Doing some Culvert Work RTE 135.
2. NH Division of Forests and Lands proposing harvest and timber sale on Forest Lake State Park. Asking DCC to have a public meeting to be able to explain what they are doing on the park. Receiving public bids Fall 2021.
DCC will ask for presentation before any cutting is done.

Review May 11th, June 4th, June 15th minutes – Traci Wagner motioned to accept, Miriam second. Unanimous to accept.

Old Business

- June 4th minutes need to be added and voted to accept still – Added and Accepted

Other Business

- Jim McClammer would like to speak at NH DES Public Hearing on Behalf of the DCC. – Voted to allow him to speak on behalf. All were in favor.
- Invite Maggie Machinist (NH Dept of Forest and Lands) to speak at DCC meeting in August.
- Barbara at NHACC about members missing meetings : Barbara mentioned that missing 3+ meetings, the DCC could consider voting to dismiss a member. Ideally if the Bylaws are ready to be reviewed and accepted then the DCC.
- Bylaws discussion – A copy of a draft for Bylaws has been sent to all DCC members for review and discussion for any amendments.
 - a. Nancy would like to add the Robert Rules of Behavior to the Bylaws. Traci motioned to add the rules, Miriam seconded. All were in favor.
___ Robert's Rules for small boards, 10th Ed., p. 469-71 **insert into Bylaws ((10 of 19 – Regular Meetings))
Miriam motioned to accept Bylaws as amended, Traci second. All in favor. Change date to July 13. Ernie Hannaford will make changes and email copy to DCC.
- DCC Trust Fund reimbursement of \$3514.82 (6/24/2020) to Vanessa Hines Cardillo and Douglas Ingerson Jr. – Linda Greenwood found the missing the receipts and the reimbursement was accurate.
- DCC computer and printer – Police report has not been filed yet. Nancy still needs to make an appointment to make the report.
- NHDES acknowledgement of the letter sent on June 4th, 2021. – NHDES thanked the DCC for sending the letter.
- Follow up with wetlands consultant on a site visit and how to proceed. – Jim suggested we could get a court order to try to get access to the site, but could

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potentially be very costly to the town in terms of legal fees. Too late to get public hearing delayed.

- DCC meetings schedules – It was decided that we needed to change the July meeting before the DES public hearing, so it was not ideal to wait for the 3rd week of July.

*NHDES public meeting (talking points) – Nancy speaking at DES hearing for DCC. Regional impacts. DCC job is to conserve resources and protect lands. Impact to wildlife, including the potential disturbance of the Loons that just bred on the lake.

Public comments:

Vic St. Cyr gave a brief history of an area. 1980 – Tornado took out 80 acres of land. Ford Rd to Ford swamp. History of culvert area.

Kevin Whittum Sr. Asked about the 244 acres offered for the DCC to take control of easement and why we refused it. There is no access to get to the land to utilize it and no access to the public. The logistics are not feasible.

Kevin Whittum Sr. Asked about testing of Alderbrook. Not sure if the water has been tested for lead due to the gun range that operates next to it.

Questions arose about the lack of beavers on Forest Lake. It is not known why they have not been seen recently.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:34 adjourned