

CITY OF DOVER

DOVER CONSERVATION COMMISSION – MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: City Council Conference Room - 288 Central Avenue, Dover, NH
Meeting Date: Monday, February 12, 2024
Meeting Time: 5:30 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Hunt (Chair), Steve Fellows (Vice Chair), Kristen Murphy, Amy Kramer Perry

Absent (Excused): Abigail Lyon, Robert Atwood (Secretary), Bruce Batchelder (Alternate), Jake Geddes, Jay Aube

Absent (Unexcused):

STAFF PRESENT: Jackson Kaspari – Resilience Manager

OTHERS PRESENT: Autumn Scott, Jessica Hunt, Andrew Akerman

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was convened at 5:30 PM.

2. ANNUAL NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2024

Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary positions need to be filled.

S. Fellows noted he is willing to continue as Vice Chair and B. Hunt noted he is willing to continue as Chair. R. Atwood will continue to serve as Secretary.

Vote: 4 in favor of the slate of officers as discussed.

3. CITIZENS' FORUM

None

4. APPROVAL OF THE PRIOR MEETING MINUTES- JANUARY 8, 2024

S. Fellows moved to approve the minutes of January 8th as submitted. A. Kramer Perry seconded.

Vote: 3 yes, 1 abstain

5. OLD BUSINESS:

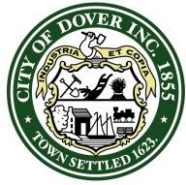
None

6. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Conditional Use Permit for Public Service of New Hampshire, Assessor's Map 24, Lot 133, Map N, Lots 23, 22C-8, and Map K, Lots 4-C and 2, zoned CWD, R-12, located at the Transmission line ROW - Cocheco Street to Penny Lane. Proposal is a R169 utility transmission line structure replacement project creating 19,734 square feet of temporary impact to the Conservation District.

B. Conditional Use Permit for Public Service of New Hampshire, Assessor's Map K, Lots 1-A-0, 1-A-1, 1-B0, Map N, Lots 18-1, 18-OP1, 18-6, and 19-5, zoned R-40, located at Transmission line ROW- McKone Lane to Eagan Drive. Proposal is a R169 utility transmission line structure replacement project creating 742 square feet of temporary wetland impact and 1,515 square feet of temporary impact to the Conservation District.

C. Conditional Use Permit for Public Service of New Hampshire, Assessor's Map N, Lots 19-A, 19-B, 19-C, Map K, Lots 6-C, 6-E, Map M, Lots 3, 3-A, 3-B, zoned R-40, located at Transmission Line ROW- end of Falcon Drive to Back Road. Proposal is a R169 utility transmission line structure replacement project creating 23,279 square feet of temporary wetland impact and 29,941 square feet of permanent impact to the wetland buffer.



CITY OF DOVER

DOVER CONSERVATION COMMISSION – MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: City Council Conference Room - 288 Central Avenue, Dover, NH
Meeting Date: Monday, February 12, 2024
Meeting Time: 5:30 pm

D. Conditional Use Permit for Public Service of New Hampshire, Assessor's Map M, Lots 105, 105-1, 105-2, 100-A, 92-B, 93-B, zoned R-40, located at Transmission Line ROW-245 Back Road to Cullen Bay Road Proposal is a R169 utility transmission line structure replacement project creating 3,188 square feet of temporary wetland impact.

E. Conditional Use Permit for Public Service of New Hampshire, Assessor's Map M, Lots 91-C, 92-A, 92-H, 104, zoned R-40, located at Transmission Line ROW- Cullen Bay Road to Cocheco River. Proposal is a R169 utility transmission line structure replacement project creating 29,676 square feet of temporary wetland impact.

All guests present to make the presentations for PSNH introduced themselves.

The proposals were explained as needing to replace 18 structures and small communications line and shield. The project is about three miles long. They explained the temporary impacts to occur during the construction.

In wetland areas, the old poles will be cut down so as not to further impact. In non-wetland areas the poles will be removed. Permanent impacts to wetland buffers were explained.

J. Kaspari noted that since it is such a large project, it was reviewed by TRC.

S. Fellows moved to endorse the five CUPs for PSNH as presented. A. Kramer Perry seconded.

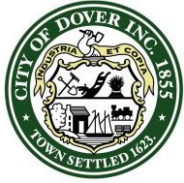
Vote: 4 in favor

F. Natural Resources Inventory Project Update

The goal of the project is to develop an inventory of Dover's natural resources to be used as a tool for land use boards, staff and public to utilize.

Autumn Scott, Strafford Regional Planning Commission updated and discussed the following with the Commission:

- Maps dispersed and described
 - She asked the members to review these over the next week and let her know any comments
 - This is the map set they will work off of for the NRI
- Timeline review
 - Receive comments from Commission
 - Start drafting the NRI
 - Public workshop to gather input for priorities
 - The group brainstormed places to advertise
 - Draft Survey sent out for review prior to March meeting



CITY OF DOVER

DOVER CONSERVATION COMMISSION – MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: City Council Conference Room - 288 Central Avenue, Dover, NH
Meeting Date: Monday, February 12, 2024
Meeting Time: 5:30 pm

G. Conservation and Open Space Chapter Update

J. Kaspari informed the members that we are just getting going on this process but they are making sure both this process and the NRI project work together. He named the members of the Steering Committee. The goal is to have this completed by the fall.

7. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

A. Review of Correspondence Received from NH Department of Environmental Services

J. Kaspari noted they've received the opportunity to work with DES and split the costs to fix an issue at the pond. He expounded on some options for how to fund the portion Dover will have to cover.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Update from Forest Management Subcommittee

S. Fellows reported on the latest discussion topics

- Discussion with Community Services Director for the Commission to support the continuation of planting street trees
 - Continued discussion about funding for street trees as a trade for Community Services funding the matching pond funds required
 - Suggestion to keep a better record of the Conservation Fund balance minus any funds committed
- Potential pocket forest at Garrison School update

9. ADJOURNMENT

S. Fellows moved to adjourn. K. Murphy seconded. Vote: 4 yes.
The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM.