

CITY OF DOVER

DOVER CONSERVATION COMMISSION – MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: 2nd Floor Conference Room, City Hall, 288 Central Avenue
Meeting Date: Monday, August 8, 2016
Meeting Time: 5:30 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Hunt (Chair), Cora Quisumbing-King, Michael Joyce, Brian Sullivan, Amy Kramer-Perry (Alternate)

STAFF PRESENT: Steve Bird (City Planner)

OTHERS PRESENT: Steven Riker

The meeting was convened by Hunt at 5:32 PM.

Hunt welcomed new alternate member, Amy Kramer-Perry.

1. APPROVAL OF THE PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

Quisumbing-King noted a correction on page 2, section 5.4, change time to take.

Quisumbing-King moved to approve the June 13, 2016 minutes as amended, Joyce seconded. Vote: Unanimous

2. OLD BUSINESS: NONE

3. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. NHDES Wetlands Permit for James and Karen Duffy (Agent: Steven Riker, Ambit Engineering, Inc.), Assessor's Map M, Lot 56, zoned R-20 and R-40, located at 536 Middle Road. Proposal is

Steven Riker of Ambit Engineering was present to explain that the proposal is to construct a new dock (4' x 75' wood pier, 3' x 35' aluminum gangplank, 6' x 24' landing float & 10' x 40' main float) in the tidal Piscataqua River, with permanent impact of 300 square feet and temporary seasonal impact of 649 square feet. Plan shows only part of a large lot. Dock will be installed by crane barge at low tide. Piles will be driven. Float will be held in place by mushroom mooring. We are seeking a recommendation from the Conservation Commission. It doesn't need a Dover CUP. It has been reviewed by state agencies.

Joyce: What is the height of the fixed pier?

Riker: It is 3 to 4 feet above the salt marsh.

Hunt: At low tide how much water would you have under the float?

Riker: Not sure but the float would not rest on the bottom.

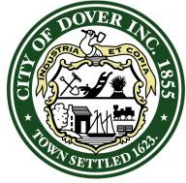
Hunt: How many boat slips are going to be using the float?

Riker: Only one large boat. They could have many more based on the river frontage.

Joyce made a motion to endorse the NHDES Wetlands Permit application, Quisumbing-King seconded. Vote: Unanimous

- B. Vote on request for expenditures from the Conservation Fund for:

1. Cassily Parcel Field Mowing by Bob Sherwood Landscape Co. - \$600



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2. Apple Harvest Day Expenditure for OLC Booth Rental - \$150

Bird explained that request for funds is to mow the Cassily field to keep it open meadow and for a booth at Apple Harvest Day. Bird gave some background on the Conservation Fund for the benefit of the new members.

Quisumbing-King made a motion to approve the expenditures from the Conservation Funds as requested, Kramer-Perry seconded. Vote: Unanimous

4. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

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

Bird reviewed the following letters from the DES Wetlands Bureau:

1. NHDES approved a wetlands permit for Peter Strachan of 125 Spur Road.
2. NHDES approved an amended wetlands permit for Margaret and William Green of 124 Dover Neck Road.

5. OTHER BUSINESS:

Bird and Hunt informed members about the following items:

1. A flyer from the NH Timberland Owners Association for a workshop on NH Timber Harvesting Law on August 23rd in Bristol.
2. A letter from the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions thanking the City for renewing our annual membership.
3. A proposal from the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions entitled, "Creating Partnerships Between Conservation Commission and Schools"

Hunt: Asked Bird to send a request to the SAU office to see any of the school principals would have any interest.

Hunt: I will not be here for the September meeting so I want to make sure someone will be here to run the meeting. I would ask Bird to check with Gasses to see if she will be able to attend. If not we need to appoint a new Secretary. Any volunteers?

Joyce: I could do it if needed and if I do not have a work conflict that night.

Hunt made a motion to appoint Joyce as interim secretary, Quisumbing-King seconded. Vote Unanimous

6. ADJOURNMENT

Quisumbing-King moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:10 pm, Sullivan seconded. Vote: Unanimous