

**Enfield Conservation Commission Meeting
May 6, 2021 Minutes**

7:12 pm: Call meeting to order via zoom.

Attendance: Shirley Green (SG), Sue Hagerman (SH), Dolores Struckhoff (DS), Terry Terry (TT), Jerold Theis (JT), John Welenc (JW) (in and out due to work responsibilities).
Member of the public Glyn Green (GG).

Minutes: Approval of April minutes. SG moved to approve minutes as corrected, DS seconded, the vote was unanimous in favor of the motion (5-0).

New Business: With Alan's resignation, the Commission will discuss and elect new officers: Chair, potentially a Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. We should also discuss new members (seven members maximum, therefore, we can add one more and alternates, not sure of this number).

Discussion: JT suggested the slate include a Chair, a Secretary who prepares items for and makes final corrections for website, a Treasurer, but this may be redundant with Town Treasurer. DS: If Chair is not here, we may need a Vice Chair to fill in.

SH: There was talk about Jay, he was going to think about it, but is unable to fulfill as he is working.

JT agreed that he is willing to take on this role.

SG: Instead of electing a Vice Chair, might JT just contact someone if he thinks he will be absent. SG is willing to fill in in the event that JT is absent but would not like to be Chair in the future.

JT: Secretary would be responsible for typing up and submitting to Conservation Commission website various articles that they or other members of the commission might want to turn in. Additionally, they would type up the agenda for the meetings and send around to the members of the committee. DS would like to fill this role.

JT will keep track of funds that are in the Conservation Fund of the Commission, in lieu of an elected Treasurer.

Old Business: Update on Cone/Town conflict as a result of the Conservation Commission's correspondence sent to the Board of Selectmen to review at their April 19 meeting.

Note: as of this agenda, DS followed up with the Assistant Town Manager, Alisa Bonnette, and Alisa responded that the Interim Town Manager, Jack Wozmak, will address this issue by sending a formal notice to the property owner regarding the violation before it can be enforced by the Police Department or State as applicable. DS did let Alisa Bonnette know that this had happened at least once in the past.

Discussion: JT has not received any further communication regarding this. This group (Conservation Commission) received communication from Kate Plumley that Mr. Cone will be arrested should he be discovered trespassing again and that F&G is continuing their investigation.

50 **Intent to cut:**

51 Tax map #17, Lot #2, Northwoodlands, Inc. (by Donald E. Clifford, Vice President – Newport,
52 NH), White House Road

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54 Discussion: JT contacted Mr. Clifford, property had been harvested 20 years ago, and is
55 harvesting trees now, and will use it as a forest management area in perpetuity.

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57 **Correspondence:**

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59 *Standard Dredge and Fill Wetlands Application, Peter Rauert, Map#2, Lot#50, Rice Road, for a
60 driveway construction.

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62 Discussion: JT raised concerns about wetlands and making a notice to DES in a timely fashion.
63 DS suggest getting a process in place so this time limit does not lapse again. JT plans to discuss
64 this in order to receive such notices from the town clerk in a more timely manner.

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66 JT will explore this process.

67 This committee does have authority to try to protect the prime wetlands.

68 JT proposed that this group meet twice per month to review these items in a more timely fashion
69 – the group may think about this over the next month and revisit.

70 SH mentioned that there have been interim meetings called for time sensitive matters.

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72 SH made a motion that this group pursue a process to enable us to meet timelines in an
73 appropriate fashion. SG seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion (5-0). Move
74 vote to after discussion

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76 *Vertex Tower, construction and operation of a wireless tower off of Route 4. Vertex will install
77 a trial balloon to simulate the visual impact on April 23 and 24. Information was sent by Rob
78 Taylor.

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80 *Thomas Jellison would like to access and use Old County Road, (a class VI road) to reach his
81 property for a house site. Old County Road is just across from the old Great View Roller Rink.
82 Information was sent by Rob Taylor.

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84 **Other Correspondence:** Letter from NH DOT regarding highway safety improvements on
85 Route 4 and 4A Re: District 2 – Guardrail.

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87 Discussion: Appears to be normal highway maintenance.

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89 **Loon webinar:** Update from GG: Floating nest was put on Crystal Lake, GG discussed the
90 responsibilities of this group in supporting the educational webinar on this topic May 25, 7:00
91 PM. It is important for the public to know Loon etiquette and that they are a protected species.
92 SG to send DS information and she will write up, send back for review, and disseminate. GG
93 will also send information to Alisa Bonnette for town website. There are currently three (3)
94 Loons living on Crystal Lake.

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96 **Natural Resource Inventory:** Update from Jerold Theis and Subcommittee.

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Discussion: Whaleback appears to have expanded the slopes a bit, there appears to have been some logging, JT would like to understand changes to this area since the last NRI. JT will collect edits from Commission and incorporate. JT hoping to get this completed and printed by May 31.

Other agenda items:

*Update on Harris Brook Scenic Area picnic table: The Board of Selectmen approved the picnic table at their meeting on April 19. On April 22, Alan Strickland, Dolores Struckhoff and two members of the DPW met to discuss the location of table so it will not interfere with regular mowing and maintenance by the Town.

Discussion: DS ordered the table this week, will be brought up on trailer, litter signs to be placed relative to the table – DS will let JT know.

*Invoices: JT signs from prisons department and five (5) copies of NRI for CC members to add edits for final draft. JT would like Commission's approval to request reimbursement. DS made a motion for JT to be reimbursed, TT second, the vote was unanimous in favor of the motion (4-0).

*Education: Dolores Struckhoff would like to discuss some conservation awareness ideas.
Did not discuss

*SH new business: SH would like the group to consider a way of recognizing Alan Strickland's long-term service and commitment to this Commission.

*Town wide clean up on 15 and 16, 22 and 23.

Other agenda items to be determined:

DS made a motion to adjourn the meeting, TT second, the vote was unanimous in favor of the motion (5-0).

Adjourn 8:42 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Kennedy.