

Enfield Conservation Commission  
Enfield Community Building  
Meeting of October 6, 2016

**Present:** Sue Hagerman; Dwight Marchetti; Alan Strickland, Chairman; Jerold Theis; Paula Gillen, Recorder

**Guest:** Alisa Bonnette, Assistant Town Manager

Chairman Strickland called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.

**Review of September 2016 minutes:** A motion was made by Ms. Hagerman to accept the September 2016 minutes as written. This was seconded by Mr. Marchetti and the motion was unanimously approved.

**Permit by Notification Application:**

Repair or replacement of an existing retaining wall. Map #18, Lot #30 on Mascoma Lake, near Baited Hook Restaurant. John Lewis would like to replace the existing wood retaining wall with a duplicate wood retaining wall. The approval of the Commission is needed to expedite this application.

A motion was made by Mr. Marchetti to approve the permit application. This was seconded by Ms. Hagerman and unanimously approved.

**Correspondence:**

**Boating Speed on Spectacle Pond:**

Kurt Gotthardt would like the Commission to weigh in on a proposal to increase boating speed on Spectacle Pond from 20 to 25 mph.

Mr. Strickland questioned if this is a conservation issue. Dr. Theis stated in a small pond faster boat speeds will churn up more sediment closer to shore. Mr. Marchetti questioned if the Marine Patrol has the authority to regulate boat speeds. The Conservation Commission can provide its opinion but does not have jurisdiction on this issue. Dr. Theis made a motion to recommend that the boating speed limit on Spectacle Pond not be increased. Ms. Hagerman seconded and the motion was unanimously approved. Of note, the New Hampshire Dept. of Safety, Division of State Police web site limits motor size on Spectacle Pond: *RSA 270:105 - No person shall use or operate any powerboat equipped with any type of power motor in excess of 10 HP on Spectacle Pond in Enfield and Grafton.*

**Map #13, Lot #49, Oak Hill Road:**

Ceillie Auferro requested the Commission look at Map #13, Lot #49, Oak Hill Road for conservation purposes.

Ms. Bonnette stated the parcel is now Town property as the owner was unknown. She stated it is approximately 50 acres, land locked, with no dedicated right of way. As there is no access to the parcel the Town is considering offering it for sale to the abutters. Chairman Strickland, along with Dr. Theis

and Mr. Marchetti, would like to visit the site. Mr. Strickland will check the tax maps for abutter identification and obtain permission prior to accessing the site.

DES to Charles Symanski and Jane Carrier, Map #50, Lot #6 approval for garage, septic work, porch over existing deck. Impact of 4810 sq ft within Protected Shoreland.

DES to Eastern Propane, approval of Wetlands and non-site specific permit, Map #6, Lot #25, Whaleback Mountain to widen turnaround for trucks.

DES to John and Leslie Connolly, Map #18, Lot #27, Mascoma Lake, approval to impact 4136 sq ft to construct an addition and install a retaining wall, walkway and pervious patio.

DES to NH Dept of Transportation, Wetlands and non-site specific permit approval to remove 12-inch culvert and establish new catch basin.

**Intent to Cut:**

James and Hazel Bryant, Map #16, Lot #47, Choate Road.

**Old Business:**

**Completion of Boys Camp Road Bridge:**

Mr. Strickland examined the site and found not a trace of debris in the stream bed.

**Website New Information:**

Three articles by Dr. This is now on the Conservation web site.

**New Business:**

**NHACC 46th Annual Meeting and Conference:**

Save the Date: Saturday, November 12, 2016, "Mitigating Present Threats to the Future Forested Landscape," featuring Tom Wessels, terrestrial ecologist and professor at Antioch University.

**2016 Budget:**

Unspent Conservation Commission budgeted funds are rolled into the Conservation Fund. It was suggested to review the budgets from the last 5 years to better gauge actual Conservation Commission budgetary needs.

Mr. Strickland stated the Colette Trail head by Bicknell Brook on Grafton Pond Road needs to be mowed. Ms. Hagerman moved to spend no more than \$400 to mow the trail head of Bicknell Brook off Grafton Pond Rd. Mr. Marchetti seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, November 3 at 7 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Marchetti to adjourn. This was seconded by Ms. Hagerman, unanimously approved, and the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.