

Approved Minutes

Meeting Called to Order: at 7:00 p.m. by E. Bagley, Chairman

Members Present: Chairman E. Bagley, Vice Chairman Gene Young, Members Bob Doyle, Russ Wilder, Dave Hershey and Lou LaCourse. Selectmen Representative Virgil MacDonald.

Public Present: Cindy Balcius, Lindsey Adams, Brian Fortier and Rob Dietel

Members Absent: Treasurer Roger Burgess.

Approval of Agenda: Addition under Commissioner Reports: Russ Wilder.

Motion by G. Young to approve the Agenda as amended, second by B. Doyle. No discussion. Motion passes with all in favor.

Public Input:

Approval of March 23, 2017 Minutes: Minutes reviewed by Commission. Misspelled name.

Motion by G. Young to approve minutes as amended, second by B. Doyle.

Motion passes with all in favor.

Presentations/Consultations:

1. **Cindy Balcius** – American Legion Post 72 Standard Dredge & Fill Application. Lindsey presented the repair and replacement of an existing culvert on the lot. At one time the area was all wetlands. The project will fill in a man-made scrub-schrub. They are not proposing to park in the area presented. *See Standard Dredge and Fill Application #1 Below.*
2. **Brian Fortier** – Revised plan for the expansion at the Marina as well as discussion of any shovel ready projects that might be eligible in Alton for the ARM mitigation fees associated with the project. Brian & Rob Dietel were here for two reasons. 1. To present an update on where things stand with the plans for the marina. Changes that have been made trying to accommodate not impacting wetland areas on this other lot where most of the expansion is going to occur. Focus was on marina and taking the operation which exists right now in basin including boat repair, boat storage, retail shops, marine construction and moving away from the water and putting them in contained buildings. 2. To find out if there are any shovel ready projects that are eligible in Alton for ARM mitigation fees associated with this project and would be appropriate to offset the impacts of this project. There is 4600 sq. ft. of Impact and the figure Brian is looking at for the ARM Fund in \$250,000.00. Hopefully it provides an opportunity to address mitigation thru a project that might be available here in Alton. The commission noted that here were no projects in Alton currently eligible for ARM funding. There was discussion of the poor water quality currently in the marina associated with the shallow depth and stirring up of sediment from boat traffic.

Planning Board/ZBA Agenda Items:

1. **Ronald Rubbico** – Map 37, Lot 43. 8 Notla Lane, (ZBA Variance). To permit a new garage to sit within the 25 for Right-of-Way setback to Route 28A (East Side Drive) and also the 10 ft. setback to the side property line.

The Commission reviewed the ZBA Variance and commented on their concerns with the excavation next to 28A and also the Road Agent & DOT should be consulted. The new septic system is an improvement.

Standard Dredge and Fill Application:

1. **American Legion Post 72** – Map 8, Lot 46. 164 Wolfeboro Highway. Proposing to repair and replace an existing culvert on the lot. The project will include filling a man-made scrub-shrub wetland in order to complete the project as originally intended. **(40-day hold 4/3/2017).**
Motion made by G. Young to send a letter of no objection to NHDES, second by E. Bagley. Opposed by R. Wilder – If they are not using this area for anything it is an opportunity to create a retention area to help slow the water down why not make it function as a wetlands and clean up the area and use it as a storm water retention area if they don't have any other use for it, why not help the water quality in the area?
2. **Robert Regan** – Map 62, Lot 2. 45 Indian Shores Road. Remove (3) fender piling and install (5) new piling to support new permanent boatlift and 15' x 30' seasonal canopy. **(40 day hold 4/4/2017).**
The Commission reviewed this application and had no objections. Motion passed with all in favor.
3. **5 Lakerim Realty LLC** – Map 38, Lot 55-1-5, 2 Grammy's Way #5, Rebuild deteriorated rubble masonry retaining wall. Remove and reconstruct the existing dock structure, remove a concrete slab. Place loose rocks back on the breakwater. Relocate a submerged rock and add steps. **(40 day hold 4/5/2017)**
The Commission reviewed this application and commented that they would rather see rip rap type Wall than a Mortar Wall. This would dissipate wave energy and reduce erosion.
4. **Anthony Avola** – Map 33, Lot 28A. East Side Drive, Convert existing dock/shed to a dock with a solid deck. A handicap ramp for wheel chair access to the canopy deck is to be built. The ramp is to have an elevator for access to the dock. Eroded area to be filled in. The dock rock crib and two piling bents to be replaced "in-kind". **(40 day hold 4/6/2017).**
Commission reviewed the application and commented that the dock should not be widened.

Notification of Routine Roadway and Railway Maintenance Activities

Permit by Notification:

1. **Robert Haverty** – Map 57, Lot 4-1, 274 Woodlands Road. Replace (12) piling under existing "U" shaped dock. Wetlands Impact approx. 12 sq. ft. **(Commission signed on 4/7/2017).**

Minimum Impact Expedited:

1. **Timothy Erickson** – Map 74, Lot 23. 142 Sleeper Island. Removal of existing crib boulders from abandoned man made dock in lake. Dock is not present, only crib. Crib measures approx. 25' (L) by 8' (W) and is between 2 and 5' in depth. The existing crib is a navigational hazard to docking at the property. The crib will be removed and the shoreline will be returned to its natural state. The boulders are to be removed by Winnepesaukee Marine Construction of Gilford, NH. **(Commission signed on 4/19/2017).**

Shoreland Permit Application:

1. **Timothy & Mehrnaz Aaghvami-Long** – Map 64, Lots 17 & 25, 150-160 Smith Point Road. Replace an existing residence with a new larger residence on Lot 17: Shift and enlarge the existing driveway, constructing 1,950 sq. ft. of its surface as pervious. Reconstruct walkways between the residence and waterfront and residence and roadside residence. Walkways will be pervious. Replace existing cess-pool in the Waterfront Buffer with a septic tank. An existing patio at the shoreline will be relocated further from the shoreline and constructed as pervious. Remove an existing shed and pavilion. Lot 25: Replace an existing parking area with a smaller footprint, and construct a 12' wide driveway at the NE corner of the lot. Construct a garage outside of the Shoreland Protection Zone. Lots 17 & 25: Install a new septic system and storm water management. **Draft Report: Site walk done on March 29, 2017. NHDES Approval Date 4/14/2017. Approval is Subject to the Project Specific Conditions.**

The Commission reviewed the re-vised proposed plan dated 3/30/2017. The Commission asks NHDES to check the calculations for the unaltered area in the woodland buffer.

2. **218 Woodlands Family Trust** – Map 56, Lots 42 & 43, 218 Woodlands Road. To Lift and excavate form and pour a concrete foundation for the existing house parts of the existing pathway are to be replaced with a new driveway, parking area, retaining wall, relocated walk and steps as shown on the plan, The impervious area as a result of adding the driveway and turn around area will be 2,480 sq. ft. The approximate temporary impact area due to all construction on the lot will be approx. 1,862 sq. ft. The total temporary and permanent impact area will be approx. 4,342 sq. ft.

The Commission reviewed and had no concerns.

3. **Lipomi Family Revopcable Trust of 2015** – Map 70, Lot 19 & 60. 147 Sunset Shore Drive. Plan is to demolish existing cottage and replace with new cottage in same footprint and full foundation. State approved septic system and well to be installed. Drip edges to be installed. **The Commission reviewed and had no concerns.**

Commissioner Reports:

1. **Russ Wilder** – Follow up on Merrymeeting meeting. Four members went to meeting, there was a quorum, any workshop or Monitoring with a quorum needs to have minutes and be posted. EPA has issued a permit to Fish & Game for the Powdermill Fish Hatchery. The permit was issued in 2011 and has expired at the end of 2016. A group in New Durham have taken some samples of the water. The Hatchery uses between 1 and 7 million gallons of water a day. During low flows in the summer all the water going down the Merry Meeting River is coming thru the Fish Hatchery. There is not enough water coming out of the Merrymeeting Lake in the late summer to keep the fish hatchery going and the river running at the same time. EPA is going thru this permit process and maybe Alton has some sort of interest in it. The Commission could ask EPA to have the Fish Hatchery document how they are operating with hopefully with the Best Management Practice. EPA will be taking samples this summer. The commission will attend the next meeting when scheduled by EPA.
2. **Russ Wilder** – Steve Walker, State of New Hampshire Office of Energy and Planning Stewardship Specialist has suggested that the Conservation Easement Monitoring could be conducted by the Commission this spring. The Commission decided that we would monitor properties in the fall as we have done in the past. Lou LaCourse will lead boundary marking on Map 5 lot 53 on Gilman Pond and arrange a workday to mark the new Seavey trail at Gilman Pond

3. **Russ Wilder** – Trail Description, Check with Josh to get the Trails on the Website
4. **Russ Wilder** – Russ will meet with the new owners of Chuck Westen property at the end of Alton Mountain Road. The new owner, John Geleas has indicated that he wants to keep the trails in this area as well as the parking lot open. Russ will get back to us about his meeting.
5. **Russ Wilder** – Kiosk at Gilman Pond, Build a Kiosk by the Dave Lawrence Trail. Lou LaCourse has plans for building a kiosk for the parking lot on Gilman Corner Road and will work on this.

Other Business:

1. **Election of Commissions Offices** – Chairman, Vice Chairman, & Secretary.
Motion made by G. Young to vote Earl Bagley as Chairman, second by R. Wilder.
Motion made by R. Wilder to vote Gene Young as Vice-Chairman, second by L. LaCourse.
Motion made by G. Young to vote R. Burgess as Treasurer, second by L. LaCourse.
Motion passes with all in favor.

Earl Bagley - Chairman, Gene Young - Vice Chairman, Roger Burgess – Treasurer.

2. **Liz Dionne e-mail:** At the Cyanobacteria meeting in new Durham they have asked for a member of the Con Com to attend the meetings. First Meeting is May 12. Please vote on who will attend these meetings. **G. Young Volunteered to attend meetings.**
3. **Liz Dionne:** would like someone from the commission to meet with the Board of Selectman for approx. 10-15 minutes to do a brief explanation as to what has been going on during the past year with their Commission or anything you want to share about upcoming projects? See the upcoming meeting dates on e-mail : **Available date is Aug. 21**
4. **NH Division of Forests and Land:** Infestation of the invasive forest pest, emerald ash borer (EAB) in Alton Bay State Forest.

Correspondence:

1. **Cedar Cove Assoc** – Map 18, Lot 29-55, Dewitt Drive. File #2017-00736. Advantage NH Lakes response to NHDES App. returned missing information.
2. **Fernhill Community Assoc.** – Map 2, Lot 26-2, 2 Headley Ave. **NHDES Approval Date 3/22/2017. Approval is Subject to the Projects Specific Conditions.**
3. **Tim Long** – Proposed Conditions after meeting with the Commissioners.
4. **C & A Exquisite Home Builders, LLC** – Map 51, Lot 22. 118 Route 11D, **NHDES Approval Date 3/29/2017. Approval is Subject to the Projects Specific Conditions.**
5. **Mount Washington Cruises** – Map 34, Lot 36-1, 66 Mount Major Highway. **NHDES Approval Date 4/01/2017. Approval is Subject to the Projects Specific Conditions.**
6. **Anthony Avola** – Map 33, Lot 28. 50 East Side Drive. **NHDES Approval Date 4/04/2017. Approval is Subject to the Projects Specific Conditions.**
7. **Robert Carrigg** – Map 77, Lot 12. 330 Rattlesnake Island. **NHDES Request for More Information.**
8. **Fairwinds Realty Trust** – Map 44, Lot 55, 124 Black Point Road. **NHDES Request for More Information.**
9. **Robert & Claudia Shilo** – Map 45, Lot 4. 7 Red Sands Road. **NHDES Request for More Information.**

10. **Charles Alexander** – Map 79, Lot 13. 616 Rattlesnake Island. **NHDES Request for More Information.**
11. **George Freese III Rev. Tr.** – Map 35, Lot 21. 157 East Side Drive, **NHDES Approval Date 4/19/2017. Approval is Subject to the Projects Specific Conditions.**
12. **Kimberly A. Pongratz Rev. Lvg Tr.** – Map 53, Lot 2. 328 Route 11D, **NHDES Approval Date 4/19/2017. Approval is Subject to the Projects Specific Conditions.**
13. **Charles & Ann Alexander** – Map 79, Lot 13. 616 Rattlesnake Island. Addressing NHDES Request for More Information Dated 4/12/2017.
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Adjournment: Motion by V. MacDonald to adjourn at 9:20 p.m. second by B. Doyle. Motion passed with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Calligandes, Secretary