

HOLLIS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes of Public Meeting

August 18, 2021

Approved September 1, 2021

Regular Members: Tom Dufresne, Thomas Davies, Paul Edmunds, Jonathan Bruneau, Joseph Connelly;
Alternate Members: Laura Bianco, Karen Bridgeo, James Plummer.
BOS Ex-Officio: Peter Band
Staff: Connie Cain

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm.

BOARD & COMMITTEE UPDATES

Planning Board – Tom Dufresne

Bill Moseley, Planning Board (PB) Chair, was unable to attend tonight's meeting. At the August 17, 2021 PB Meeting, the Forrester property 4-lot subdivision was approved. The only other case, Raisanen Homes Elite LLC for Senior Housing, is continuing.

J. Bruneau had submitted pictures of the new Hobart Lane entrance onto Howe Lane last week, showing a deteriorating road situation. T. Dufresne brought this to the attention of the PB Staff, and they will inform Code Enforcement for further action.

Board of Selectmen – Peter Band

At this time, nothing of importance to the HCC is being discussed. P. Band noted that the Selectboard will be discussing new COVID-19 mask guidance at the next meeting.

(J. Plummer arrived at 7:13 pm.)

Treasurer's Repot – Thomas Davies

As of July 31, 2021, the HCC account balance was \$1,380,089.63. Accounting for the \$10,000 in Stewardship Reserve, this leaves \$1,370,089.63 available as cash. The \$150,000 donation to Beaver Brook Association, for the Joseph Rogers property purchase as approved on June 16, 2021, was also sent in July, this total reflects the available balance after that transaction.

NEW OR CONTINUING BUSINESS

Old Home Days

T. Davies will follow-up with the Old Home Days Committee on the booth and placement. K. Bridgeo is continuing to work on signs and other items. Members felt that it would be nice to inform the public that if they have land they wish to protect, to consider working with the HCC to protect it. J. Bruneau felt that this information should also be posted to the website. Some discussion on various items to include.

Correspondence

C. Cain received an email this morning from a Forest View Drive resident, advising that neighbors are dumping yard waste on to the Conservation land on that road. T. Davies knows the neighbor, and will discuss with them, and the resident; if the activity continues, the HCC will send a formal letter.

J. Plummer suggested providing links to web sites. T. Davies stated that regardless, property owners are not supposed to dump any material on HCC property. J. Bruneau agreed that links can be provided, and asked if there were any templates available to use in these situations; T. Dufresne responded yes.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION

T. Dufresne motioned to enter into Non-Public session to discuss potential land acquisitions under RSA 91-A:3, II (d); seconded by P. Edmunds. T. Dufresne polled the members, all those present voted to enter into Non-Public session by a vote of 8-0-0. The HCC entered into Non-Public Session at 7:25 pm.

58 **RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION**

59 *T. Dufresne motioned to conclude the Non-Public session and to keep the minutes sealed until voted by the HCC to*
60 *release, seconded by J. Connelly. T. Dufresne polled the members, all members voted to conclude the Non-Public*
61 *session and keep the minutes sealed by a vote of 8-0-0. The HCC concluded Non-Public Session at 7:59 pm.*

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63 **PUBLIC SESSION CONTINUED**

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65 **MINUTES**

66 *T. Dufresne made the motion to accept the public minutes of the July 21, 2021 meeting as written; seconded by P.*
67 *Edmunds. All members voted in favor, none opposed or abstained, and the minutes were approved by a vote of 8-0-*
68 *0.*

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70 *T. Dufresne made the motion to accept the non-public minutes of the July 21, 2021 meeting as written, and to keep*
71 *them sealed until voted to release; seconded by J. Bruneau. All members voted in favor, none opposed or abstained,*
72 *and the minutes were approved by a vote of 8-0-0.*

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74 **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

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76 T. Dufresne informed members that the Siergiewicz Farm area which was cleared recently was starting to regrow. Bids
77 have been received for the herbicide application, and these will be reviewed and the vendor chosen. This will be discussed
78 at the next meeting.

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80 There was a question raised about the number of members the HCC can have; there is a maximum of 7 regular members,
81 but it was understood that there was no limits on the number of alternate members. C. Cain will review and inform T.
82 Dufresne.

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84 **ADJOURNMENT**

85 *T. Dufresne motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by J. Connelly. All members in favor, none opposed, and the*
86 *motion carried by a vote of 8-0-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.*

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88 Respectfully submitted,
89 Connie Cain
90 Staff