

# HOLLIS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes of Public Meeting

February 16, 2022

Approved March 16, 2022

Regular Members: Tom Dufresne, Jonathan Bruneau, Mark Post, Thomas Davies  
Alternate Members: Bernadette McQuilkin  
Staff: Connie Cain  
Guests: Bill Moseley, Planning Board Chair, Lauren Craig, potential new HCC Member

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm. T.

T. Dufresne appointed B. McQuilkin to vote in LeeAnn Wolff's absence.

## BOARD & COMMITTEE UPDATES

### *Planning Board – William Moseley*

The Planning Board (PB) met on Tuesday February 15, 2022.

W. Moseley signed two plans for recording, the Gloria Law Revocable Trust minor subdivision on Richardson Road, and the Seager Family Lot Line Relocation (LLR) on Howe Lane. The PB also heard the following cases:

1. Eversource applied for a Scenic Road cutting, with the cuts occurring on Hayden, Richardson and Wright Roads. T. Davies asked a question about the town ordinances related to the scenic roads and needing approval for the trees to be trimmed around powerlines. W. Moseley assured T. Davies that when trimming is inevitable around powerlines that a request is brought before the PB and even a public hearing.
2. The Ground Mount Solar System on 91 North Pepperrell Road was tabled again the next PB meeting.
3. Final Review for the Keyes Hill HOSPD Amendment, to attach a minor subdivision to the previously approved HOSPD plan. This will add 3 lots to the existing plan. The site specific soil study was approved by the PB along with the town engineer. The PB created restrictions on hammering on the property for more than two days without returning to the PB. Hammering and testing results were briefly discussed.
4. The Timber Post Bed and Breakfast LLC application for a special events space needs to be amended to accommodate several concerns. There will be a site walk to better understand the property on 5 PM on March 15, 2022. W. Moseley extended an invitation to the HCC to join the walk.
5. Halvatzes house lot was brought before the PB for a Lot Line Relocation (LLR). There are additional items pending, this will be brought before the PB on March 15, 2022.

The PB will move ahead with the current Masterplan due to the 2020 census still being underway with COVID-19 complications. The Masterplan will be brought to public hearing on March 15, 2022. Discussion on the masterplan and the addendum took place.

T. Dufresne asked if there were any warrant articles from the PB for the Town Meeting. W. Mosley replied that there would be six, with two of them being petition warrant articles. T. Dufresne asked if the PB took a position on the petition warrant articles. W. Mosley responded that they had and that they were not in support of the petition warrant articles. The PB will be providing a voting guide and a handout on Election Day.

W. Moseley thanked the board and expressed his appreciation for the HCC; T. Dufresne and HCC thanked W. Moseley.

There were no Selectboard updates or Treasurer's Report available at meeting time.

## NEW/CONTINUING BUSINESS

### *Burton and Law Property*

T. Dufresne noted that the Burton Property did close the prior week and that the Law property should be closed once the Selectboard appoints D. Petry the ability to sign off on the property. T. Dufresne estimated that the property would be closed in the first week of March.

T. Davies asked about the deed to the Law property and whether or not it would be an HCC property or a town property. C. Cain replied that it would be under the HCC.

T. Dufresne received an estimated bill for \$5,200 for the closing costs for the Law property.

*Hollis Volunteer Handbook Request*

T. Dufresne asked everyone to sign the signature sheet at the last page of the handbook and return them to Town Hall.

*March 2, 2022 Meeting*

Due to the absence of HCC members, T. Dufresne suggested that they cancel the March 2 meeting due to the lack of a quorum. It was decided that the HCC will meet up on their regularly scheduled night on March 16, 2022.

*Lauren Craig Introduction*

L. Craig introduced herself to the board and shared her story of coming to New Hampshire and her previous experience on town boards in Winthrop, MA.

*Delineated Wetlands and Development*

J. Bruneau pointed out that the states focus is mainly on permits related to wetlands and drainage.

B. McQuilkin shared her concerns on the wetlands in Hollis and shared that she had been in conversation with Mark West from West Environmental. West Environmental does aerial footage of the wetland areas along with physically walking the land in their consulting process. There has been some weakening on protections for wetlands from the state legislation. B. McQuilkin shared that she thought the best way to protect the wetlands would be through town ordinances.

J. Bruneau pointed out that there were strict permit regulations for developers regarding wetlands, however he agrees that an aerial view would provide a more cohesive understanding of the wetlands and where development could be stopped to protect prime wetland spaces.

T. Dufresne and J. Bruneau discussed the need for an updated delineated wetlands map in order to conserve certain areas without expending unnecessary funds to protect wetlands instead of other lands that need protecting.

**MINUTES**

*T. Dufresne motioned to accept the public minutes of February 2, 2022 as written; seconded by T. Davies. All in favor, none opposed or abstained; motion carried 5-0-0.*

*T. Dufresne motioned to accept the non-public minutes of February 2, 2022 as written; seconded by J. Bruneau. All in favor, none opposed or abstained; motion carried 5-0-0.*

**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 T. Davies. T. Dufresne polled the members; voting in favor were T. Dufresne, T. Davies, M. Post, J. Bruneau and B. McQuilkin; none opposed or abstained, and the motion carried 5-0-0. The HCC entered into Non-Public Session at 7:47 pm.*

**RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION**

*T. Dufresne motioned to conclude the Non-Public session and to keep the minutes sealed until voted by the HCC to release, seconded by T. Davies. T. Dufresne polled the members; voting in favor were T. Dufresne, T. Davies, M. Post, J. Bruneau and B. McQuilkin; none opposed or abstained, and the motion carried 5-0-0. The HCC concluded Non-Public Session at 8:34 pm.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

*T. Dufresne motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by T. Davies. Voting in favor were T. Dufresne, T. Davies, M. Post, J. Bruneau and B. McQuilkin none opposed or abstained. The motion to adjourn passed by a vote of 5-0-0, and the meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.*

Respectfully submitted,  
Amiee LeDoux  
Staff