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# **Hollis Conservation Commission**

Minutes for the September 7, 2022 Meeting Approved September 21, 2022

Tom Dufresne, Thomas Davies, Mark Post, Jonathan Bruneau, Joseph Connelly,

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5 Regular Members: 6

Karen Bridgeo;

Alternate Members:

Bernadette McQuilkin, Peter Band Paul Armstrong

8 BOS Liaison:

9 Guests: 10

Joseph Garruba; Kevin Anderson, Town Planner

Staff:

Connie Cain

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Tom Dufresne called the meeting to order at 6:59 pm.

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# **COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS**

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#### PLANNING BOARD UPDATE

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Not available at this time.

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# **BOARD OF SELECTMEN UPDATE** - P. Armstrong

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#### TREASURER'S REPORT - T. Davies

As of September 6, the available funds are \$1,152,574.80.

The Rock Brother's expenditure is estimated at \$555,000 that would be taken from that fund.

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#### **NEW OR CONTINUING BUSINESS**

# FEDERAL HILL ESTATES WETLANDS CROSSING - Joseph Garruba

J. Garruba shared his concerns and findings about the Federal Hill Estates situation. He also recapped the developments of the zoning laws related to endangered species. Further development of the Lorenzo Lane project would inhibit more wildlife crossings.

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J. Garruba requested that the board send the NHDES a letter that would convey the importance of wildlife connectivity. He asked to take a vote on whether to send a letter or not. He provided a draft email to help. The deadline is September 14, 2022.

K. Anderson shared that there has been no grubbing or tree disturbance on the Lorenzos lane project. Discussion took place between K. Anderson and T. Davies discussed the restrictions on the properties and the distinctions for the various wildlife and disturbances. K. Anderson shared that he wasn't able to finish his draft report for the meeting, but that it will be released

soon. He also shared that he has been working on maintaining the conservation laws within the community.

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Discussion took place on K. Andersons perspective on J. Garruba's letter proposal, K. Anderson shared that the loophole could be that the road would be considered under construction. M. Post pointed out that the letter that J. Garruba was mild and focused more so on the wildlife.

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Discussion took place over the history of the Lorenzo Lane development and how that would relate to the current decision related to the wildlife and any violations of the initial plan. They also discussed the contents of the letter and how the commission ought to approach addressing the issue.

T. Davies motioned to revise J. Garruba's draft letter and send it to NHDES. M. Post seconded. Voting in favor were T. Dufresne, T. Davies, M. Post, J. Bruneau, J. Connelly, and K. Bridgeo. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0-0, with none abstaining or voting against.

K. Bridgeo began drafting a letter and J. Bruneau volunteered to help finish the letter. T. Dufresne delegated M. Post K. Bridgeo, and J. Bruneau to work on the letter.

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J. Garruba and K. Anderson left at 7:47 pm.

### LAW PROPERTY BOUNDARY - T. Dufresne

Craig Birch has blazed the boundary lines on the Law Property, and charged the HCC \$680.

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T. Dufresne motioned to expend \$680 to Craig Birch for drawing the lot lines on the Law Property, J. Connelly seconded. Voting in favor were T. Dufresne, T. Davies, M. Post, J. Bruneau, J. Connelly, and K. Bridgeo. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0-0, with none abstaining or voting against.

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## **LUDWIG SIERGIEWICZ FARM** - T. Dufresne

T. Dufresne signed off on Eric Radlof to do a chemical treatment for invasive species on the Ludwig Siergiewicz Farm property off Mooar Hill Road for \$2,700.

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# **OLD HOME DAY PLANNING - B. McQuilkin**

73 74 B. McQuilkin shared her plans for the Old Home Day Booth including a slide show of the lands that the HCC has worked to conserve. She conveyed that she would like to give out some handouts as well as having some posters to give out. B. McQuilkin shared that there is an app that would be able to identify invasive species.

75 76 Discussion took place on the various options for how to experience and see the different conservation land purchases. T. Dufresne shared that Old Home Days is a good opportunity to meet people and represent the HCC well. B. McQuilkin volunteered to be there.

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#### **ROCK FARM PUBLIC HEARING PREPARATION -** T. Dufresne

80 81 82 T. Dufresne discussed the preparation for the upcoming public hearing on September 21, 2022, and the details of the easement. Some discussion of the easement language took place along with associated costs.

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#### **PUBLIC MINUTES**

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### **MINUTES**

T. Dufresne motioned to approve the minutes of August 17, 2022 as written. M. Post seconded. Voting in favor were T. Dufresne, T. Davies, M. Post, J. Bruneau, J. Connelly, and K. Bridgeo. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0-0, with none abstaining or voting against.

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#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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M. Post motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm. J. Connelly seconded. Voting in favor were T. Dufresne, T, Davies, M. Post, J. Bruneau, J. Connelly, and K. Bridgeo. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0-0, with none abstaining or voting against.

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Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

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- Respectfully submitted,
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- 103 Recording Secretary