



# TOWN OF WAKEFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

## Conservation Commission Minutes

March 11, 2024

Town Hall Conference Room

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Approved

| COMMISSION MEMBERS |   | ALTERNATES  |   |
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| Relf Fogg, Chair   | X | Josh Fuller | X |
| Rob Hewins         | X |             |   |
| Rick Wehrhan       | X |             |   |

### **Members of the public present**

Max Gehring with Clearview TV.

Mr. Fogg called the posted meeting to order at 7:00PM.

### **Introduction of Board Members and seating of alternates as necessary**

Commission members were introduced as Josh Fuller, Rick Wehrhan, and Rob Hewins. Relf Fogg was seated as Chair.

7:01 Public comment period. None at that time.

7:02 Review of minutes from February 12, 2024. Mr. Fogg made a motion to approve the minutes with any amendments offered. Mr. Hewins offered an amendment to the land use gain fund to be \$7,850.15. No other amendments. Mr. Hewins seconded the motion. (Vote 4-0).

7:04 *New Board Business*

A PBN was submitted March 8, 2024, with a note from the town clerk requesting signatures from the conservation commission. The application does not appear to have an NHB number. The applicant is requesting to replace a retaining wall and the existing dock with a razor dock (seasonal dock). Much discussion surrounding whether application is for the retaining wall or for the dock replacement as much required information is missing. Mr. Fogg decided to call the applicant to discuss the missing information. The applicant decided that it would be best if the conservation commission holds onto the application, so they can submit it with all the required information. Mr. Fogg also mentioned that the applicant should submit a few more pictures regarding what needs to be repaired. Mr. Wehrhan suggested to the applicant to show an existing conditions plan. The applicant mentioned that their contractor acquired a separate permit for the retaining wall last year and that this application is just for the dock replacement. Since there is a permit from last

year for the retaining wall, Mr. Fogg suggested that there is probably already an NHB report that the applicant can use. The board agrees to hold off on signing it.

Wetlands PBN non-site-specific permit 202400178 on Great East Lake (Tax Map 126 Lot 13). Based on review of the permit in accordance with RSA 482-a NHDES issues this wetlands PBN for replacement of an existing permanent dock structure and pre-existing retaining wall in-kind. The permit expires March 4, 2029.

A request for more information for an expedited minimum impact project permit RSA 482-a for 213 Lovell Lake Road (Tax Map 197 Lot 24). NHDES needs more information consisting of cross-section plan that shows a difference in elevation between the lowest point of the bank shoreline slope to be impacted by the construction of the highest point of the bank shoreline slope to be impacted in relation to normal highway waterline. Mr. Wehrhan said NHDES are looking for profiles showing the water level with relation to the project.

Wetlands non-site-specific permit 202303238 (Tax Map 195 Lot 28) was approved February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and expires on February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2029. Based on review of the permit in accordance with RSA 482-8 and RSA 485-8 Chapter 17 NHDES issued the wetlands and non-site-specific permit. Permanent impact of 125 SF of bank to rebuild and resize existing water access steps to be no more than six feet in width along 100 feet of shoreline frontage on Lovell Lake.

#### *Financials*

7:30 Statement reflecting the money approved for NHACC with \$350 for that membership. \$305 for the sapling trees. \$655 spent.

7:33 Four applicants that would like to be full conservation commission members. The commission has room for two full members and three alternate members. Mr. Fogg discussed taking the time to look at the applicants and make decisions at the next meeting. Also, inviting the applicants to the next meeting would give them an opportunity to be heard.

#### *Old Business*

7:46 Pride Day is Saturday May 18, 2024. Two musical events are projected for Friday evening August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at the Wakefield Opera House and Saturday August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the Hideaway. The ticket price for both days is \$65 per person. The ticket price to attend just the festival is \$40 in advance or \$45 at the door. After bills are paid, all proceeds are going to be split between the Opera House and the Conservation Campership fund.

7:53 Mr. Hewins discussed getting the local residents involved in a trash cleanup or get the transfer station involved in giving away prizes for the oldest, strangest, largest piece of trash, etc. This would be on Earth Day, possibly next year.

7:58 No public comment.

7:59 Next meeting is set for March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

8:00 Mr. Fogg motioned to adjourn meeting. Mr. Wehrhan seconded it. (Vote 4-0).

Respectfully submitted for approval at the next Conservation Commission meeting,

Morgan Moody  
Acting Secretary