

MEETING
Tilton Conservation Commission
Riverfront Park
July 17, 2023
MINUTES

Present: Chuck Mitchell, Helen Hanks, Bob Hardy, Jim Cropsey, Paul Rushlow, Jon Scanlon,
Ben Wadleigh, and Kathi Mitchell

Guest: Peter Spear

The meeting of the Tilton Conservation Commission was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

1. Minutes: Helen made a **motion**, seconded by Bob, to accept the June minutes as presented.
All voted in favor.

2. Old Business:

- a) Salmon Run signage – The commissioners agreed to purchase two signs (one in landscape and the other in portrait) with Logo A which had the TCC name. Helen made a **motion** to that effect. Jim seconded the motion, and all voted in favor.
- b) WRTA – Jim has the trail markers and asked how far apart they should be placed. The TCC suggested dividing the distance by the number of available signs. They will probably be about one hundred yards apart.

3. New Business: There was none.

4. Correspondence:

- a) NH DES File # 2023-01068 Vermont Rail Trail Restoration Plan Approval
- b) Emails from State Senator Innis and State Representative Harvey-Bolia regarding TCC concerns about NH DOT proposed guard rail replacement on East Main Street/Laconia Road
- c) Letter from William Cass of NH DOT in response to TCC concerns about proposed guard rail replacement. He indicated that he would be “happy to come brief the conservation commission”, and the members agreed that would be helpful, but that the Tilton Selectboard, Northfield Conservation Commission, Northfield Selectmen, and Tilton Historical Society should also be invited to attend. It was also suggested that the TCC prepare a timeline of the requests by the town to address the problem.
- d) Email to Chief Gilman from TCC regarding Houghton-Pudsey request (see June 2023 minutes) and the email response from Chief Gilman.
- e) 3M Tilton Groundwater Discharge Permit Renewal Application – Commissioners expressed concern about the types of wastewater being discharged (PFOAs etc.) and the amount of water being used monthly. The secretary will check on this with NH DES.
- f) NH DES Environmental Fact Sheet – Management of Municipal Roadway Soils. There was a question whether the DPW also received a copy of SW-38.

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- g) Question from Land Use office re: R 25 Lot 1 – Commissioners noted that there would need to be a 250’ setback from the Winnepesaukee River and that the Public Service (Eversource) easement might preclude building within a certain distance. The entry off Mill Street was a concern as to whether it is a right-of-way or a shared driveway. The dimensions were also questioned. It was noted that the dam on the river has an overflow plan that may or may not impact the property. The swampy areas shown on the town’s map should be re-defined or delineated by a wetland scientist. Members questioned where the sewer and water hookups would be located. There was a question about the whether the wildlife corridor would be interrupted. The possibility of obtaining a conservation easement on the property was reviewed.
- h) NH DES File #2023-01895 Standard Dredge and Fill Wetlands Permit Application for Winnisquam Resort Condominium Association 22 Contigiani Drive U 2A Lot 1 to install riprap along a portion of the properties bank and to dredge an existing dock slip from a barge.

5. Other:

- a) There is a property in Tilton that once had a detention pond, but that pond has disappeared over time. Commission members will research the matter further to determine what has happened, why, and what should be done to remedy the situation. The secretary will contact NH DES for additional information.
- b) The Parks Commission invites all Tilton residents to attend the August 12 Magic Show at Riverfront.
- c) There is a new house being built on Winter Street without any apparent erosion/siltation controls in place. The Land Use department should be notified.

Helen made a **motion** to adjourn, seconded by Paul at 7:58 p.m. All were in agreement.

Respectfully submitted by Kathi Mitchell