

**Town of Bristol
Conservation Commission
March 4, 2015
Meeting Minutes**

Call to order: 7:04 PM

Members Present: Janet Cote, Sandra Heaney, and Richard Batchelder.

Minutes Review and Approval: Sandra Heaney moved to approve the February 4, 2015 minutes as written, seconded Richard Batchelder. The motion was approved.

Correspondence Review: Info Requests, Wetlands Permits, Planning Board, Zoning Board, etc.

Lakes Region Planning Commission is requesting nominations for the Kim Ayer award. Nominations need to be received by April 30th.

A shoreland impact notification that was approved in December 2014 was received by the Commission in January 2015. There was no prior correspondence on this matter.

New Business:

Alteration of Terrain Permit-Map 215 Lot 3.1, Normand Herbert: Dated February 6, 2015. The property appears to be altered without proper permitting. The area at the site is clear cut and the application requests a permit to disturb approximately 265,000 square feet of earth at the property. A copy of this permit will be obtained from the Town.

Red Fox Village Association- application to replenish beach, Newfound Lake: The Association last had a permit in May 2007. The Association is seeking the Conservation Commission's signature for an expedited plan. The expedited plan is for a 10 day processing period. The Association is replenishing sand for the beach, which is raised and does not touch the water sources. Sandra Heaney made a motion for the Commission to sign the application submitted by Red Fox Village for replenishment of an existing non-tidal beach, seconded by Richard Batchelder. The motion was approved with all in favor.

Old Business:

Continued discussion of Dollar General project:

Janet Cote informed the Commission members that the request for an extension to March 15th was emailed to William Thomas at DES regarding Dollar General. There has been no reply from Mr. Thomas yet. The email stressed the continued concerns with the enforcement of long term maintenance of the storm water filtration system and the siting of the building, loading dock, and the propane tanks.

Mrs. Cote commented that the Conservation Commission will not change the non-recommendation of the project even if permits are granted.

Mrs. Cote reported that she found nothing on potential Brownsfield sites along the river. Ms. Heaney commented that this could be brought up to the Planning Board to look into. Mrs. Cote suggested that researching potential Brownsfield sites and old mill sites along the Newfound River could be a potential project for the Conservation Commission to take on.

Mr. Batchelder asked if the Planning Board can okay the project as it is now. Mrs. Cote replied that the Planning Board can grant a special exception. Mrs. Cote commented that she is averse to setting precedence to granting permits to build within the wetlands buffer.

Two reports were reviewed by the Commission: James Houle and Thomas Ballestero dated February 10, 2015 and Fraggie Rock Environmental Services dated February 2, 2015. Richard Batchelder asked for clarification of who put the survey markers on site. Mrs. Cote replied that the survey markers were originally put there by the Zarembeba soil scientist. Sandra Heaney commented on the cement blocks and trash that has been left on the sloped area of the site. Mrs. Cote commented that the sloped area will be cleaned up and the wetlands impact area will be reseeded. Ms. Heaney commented that using porous asphalt is much less expensive than a storm water system. Mrs. Cote commented that she still has concerns about a long term maintenance plan for a storm water system. Ms. Heaney commented that the Planning Board can decide what storm water filtration system is best for the site. Mr. Batchelder commented that the independent soil scientists are backing up the Commission on this. Mrs. Cote stated that DES can condition activity for the 170 square feet of impacted wetlands. If a decision is made on the project, another letter will be sent to DES from the Conservation Commission.

Wetlands and Shoreland permit applications and updates:

NH DES file# 2014-02929 and NH DES file # 2014-02928 Zarembeba Program Development, LLC- 215 Lake Street Map/Lot 112/1: Updates include Planning Board continued Hearing on 3/11/2015.

Work Session: Efforts will continue to purge and organize files in the New Year.

Next Meeting Logistics: Next scheduled meeting April 1, 2015: Kim Ayer award nominations and updates on pending projects.

Individual Tasks Assignments:

Adjournment: Mr. Batchelder made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Heaney. The motion was approved and the meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Wendy Costigan, Secretary