

**LANCASTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION (LCC) MEETING
"WORK SESSION" April 26, 2021**

Meeting conducted via ZOOM and in public: Main Auditorium, Lancaster Town Hall

Meeting video is posted to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Btj1QrgQ_8w

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by R. Christie.

Covid/Zoom notice read:

This meeting is being held in an emergency status due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Under emergency circumstances, the meeting is being held via a videoconference exchange. This will allow for the Committee to discuss and deliberate items contemporaneously and allow for public participation and engagement as permitted. All votes will be by roll call.

Roll call:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rob Christie, Margaret Hobbs, Eric Livingston, Troy Merner, Racheal Stuart, Kathy-Jean Lavoie, Nancy Southworth

OTHERS PRESENT: John Garrison, Peter Riviere, Kate Harkness, Lucy Wyman, Town Manager Benjamin Gaetjens-Oleson, Other members of the Public. Ms. Wyman recorded meeting via video, but she deleted it. Zoom attendees: Allan Ryder, Tom Tetrau (Stantec Engineering), Catalina Celentano, (Eversource)

R. Christie made general announcements:

Ground rules:

Minutes will be kept and published as per NH RSA 91A:2 (Right-to-Know). In the absence of a Clerk today, the meeting will be recorded by Zoom.

This is a public meeting, all may attend. Only permitted speakers are: Commission members, those who have made an appointment to appear, and those recognized by the Chair. We will ask if there is anything from the public before we adjourn. You might make a note of your questions as we go along.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by E. Livingstone, No second. Motion died for lack of Second

PERMITS, APPLICATIONS AND DES MATTERS:

Christie presented "Proposal Options To Examine Wetlands Permit Application from Eversource Energy In the Town Of Whitefield, Lancaster and Northumberland", a proposal from Elise Lawson, Wetlands Scientist.

Christie reported that he had sent a notice of intent to investigate the Eversource wetlands permit application via USPS certified mail, return receipt, #7020 0090 0001 6171 8789.

“Work Session focused on Dredge and Fill Wetlands Application captioned “Eversource D142 Line Rebuild-Lancaster”

Christie introduced Commission member Racheal Stuart, to lead the Work Session portion concerned with the Dredge and Fill Wetlands Application captioned “Eversource D142 Line Rebuild-Lancaster.

Stuart distributed copies of the draft document “Eversource D142 Upgrade Application Review Questions Lancaster Conservation Commission – Revised April 26, 2021 DRAFT FOR LCC REVIEW” to members of the Commission and members of the public who did not already have paper copies.

Stuart outlined the overall role of the Conservation Commission in review of wetlands permit applications, as well as the specific outcomes for this meeting: to review a draft list of questions for Eversource and to agree on next steps.

Stuart facilitated a discussion in which Commission members reviewed the document in detail and recommended a changes and additions. Members of the public also commented and suggested several changes and additions.

Next steps were discussed and agreed to as follows:

1. Stuart agreed to revise the document to reflect the input at this meeting by Commission members and members of the public. The revised document will be reviewed at the next regular meeting of the Commission (May 10th)
2. Commission members agreed to discuss the proposal from Elise Lawson at the May 10th meeting.
3. Commission members agreed to include a discussion of potential mitigation projects on the agenda for the May 10th meeting.

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APPOINTMENTS: none

SELECT BOARD REPORT: none

OTHER BUSINESS: none

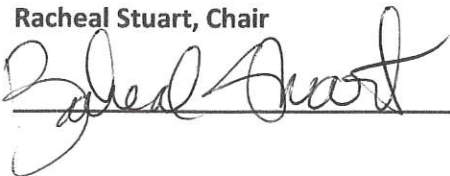
PUBLIC COMMENTS: see https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Btj1QrqQ_8w

Motion to Adjourn: moved by Livingston; second Lavoie, carried by unanimous roll call vote

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:02 PM.

APPROVED June 14, 2021

Racheal Stuart, Chair



Kathy-Jean Lavoie, Vice-Chair

