



Londonderry Conservation Commission
Tuesday, May 8, 2018
Minutes

1 **Present:** Marge Badois, Chair; Deb Lievens, member; Mike Byerly, member; Roger Fillio, member; Mike
2 Speltz, alternate member; Julie Christenson-Collins, alternate member and Richard Floyd, alternate
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5 **Absent:** Gene Harrington, Vice Chair; Bob Maxwell, member; Mike Noone, member and Ted Combes,
6 Town Council member

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8 **Also present:** Amy Kizak, GIS Manager/Comprehensive Planner and Beth Morrison, Recording Secretary

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10 Marge Badois called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. She appointed M Speltz to vote for B Maxwell, J
11 Christenson-Collins to vote for G Harrington and R Floyd to vote for M Noone.

12 **Old Business**

13 **Kendall Pond:** M Badois informed the Commission that the Town Councilors' approved the ordinance
14 and sign request at the meeting last night. She showed a picture of what the signs will look like to the
15 Commissioners. She stated that the signs are \$138 each with a \$45 dollar set up fee. R Fillio made a
16 motion to not exceed \$400 from the line item budget for the Kendall Pond signs. D Lievens seconded the
17 motion. The motion passed, 7-0-0. She noted that all of the issues regarding Kendall Pond have been
18 resolved except for the gate. She reviewed all the issues regarding a gate at Kendall Pond. She asked for
19 the Commissioners support to say that the gate is not going to work at Kendall Pond. R Fillio asked if the
20 Commission was still going to install a camera. M Badois stated that the Commission is going to install a
21 camera and B Maxwell would have more information on that. M Speltz stated in his opinion, he thinks
22 the signs, the ordinance and the camera should be used first and see what happens before any action is
23 taken on a gate. He stated that a Forest Ranger position would be the best solution for the gate, as the
24 gate could be a part of the ranger's duties for the day. He stated that the Commission should defer
25 action on a gate until the Town Council would support the Commission's request to include a ranger in
26 next year's budget. D Lievens stated in her opinion, she would like to see how the signs, ordinance and
27 camera work this summer, before acting on a gate. M Badois echoed her statement. M Byerly stated he
28 would like to obtain quantifiable data, such as how many police reports were written for Kendall Pond,
29 before acting on a gate. The Commissioners consensus was to try the signs, ordinance, camera and
30 obtain quantifiable data before any action is taken on a gate.

31 **Cooper cut - encroachments/Monitoring - surveyor:** M Badois stated that the Cooper cut finished
32 today. She stated that she thought the surveyor should survey this area first. D Lievens stated she
33 thought there was already a survey on file for this area. M Badois stated that she has looked and could
34 not find a survey. A Kizak asked for the address of the property. M Badois answered she thought it was
35 189 Litchfield Road. M Speltz informed the Commission that he and M Noone went out to the Gilcreast
36 property and there is definitely an encroachment there. He noted that he got a quote from a surveyor,



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37 Steven Heron, who would charge \$75/hr. He stated that Steve Heron said he thought the Gilcreast
38 property could be done for about \$2000. M Speltz made a motion that the Commission allocate up to
39 \$4000 from the Conservation Fund to pay for surveying expenses on properties that require a line to be
40 established. M Byerly seconded the motion. The motion passed, 7-0-0.

41 **Potential Land:** M Speltz stated that he briefed the Town Council about Richard Flyers land in a public
42 session. He pointed out that the reaction was mixed with a consensus to obtain more facts. He stated
43 that the Town Manager and Town Attorney are going to work with Richard Flyer to obtain more facts.
44 He explained that the next step for the Commission would be to initiate an appraisal. M Badois asked if
45 M Speltz would talk to the Town Manager regarding the appropriate questions to ask. M Speltz noted
46 there was only one councilor against an easement. M Badois stated in her opinion, she thought a lesson
47 on why easements would be appropriate would be good for the Town Council. M Speltz stated the Town
48 Council agreed to split the cost of the appraisal. M Speltz made a motion to authorize up to \$5000 for
49 half the cost of the appraisal. R Floyd seconded the motion. The motion passed, 7-0-0.

50 **Articles for Londonderry Times:** D Lievens informed the Commission that she received a schedule for
51 the articles for the Times. She passed out the schedule asking Commissioners to sign up for the articles.

52 **New Business:**

53 **Old Home Days:** M Byerly asked if the Commissioners wanted a table/booth at Old Home Days this
54 year. He noted he thought the cost would be no more than \$50. The Commissioners agreed that they
55 should get a table/booth.

56 **Hike:** M Speltz stated he thought the Commission should do a kids hike, as he thinks it is important to
57 get children out in nature. M Badois thought that Adams Pond would be a good hike for kids.

58 **Mathes Trail:** M Byerly stated that the first step is to get Fish & Game to sign off on the Commission's
59 plan. M Badois stated she thought that the Commission should draw a map of the area to show where
60 the Commission intends to put a trail. A Kizak stated that if someone gives her the coordinates, she can
61 put a map together for the Commission.

62 **Minutes:** The Commissioners went over the public minutes from April 24, 2018. R Fillio made a motion
63 to accept the minutes as amended. M Speltz seconded the motion. The motion passed, 4-0-3 with D
64 Lievens, M Byerly and R Floyd abstaining.

65 **Correspondence:** M Speltz asked if the Commissioners received an email he sent out regarding his draft
66 of the recently passed Town Council's resolution on Conservation acquisitions. He asked for this topic to



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67 be placed on the agenda for the next meeting. He asked the Commissioners to read the email and send
68 back comments to him directly.

69 **Adjournment:** M Byerly made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 08:25 p.m. R Fillio seconded the
70 motion. The motion passed, 7-0-0.

71 Respectfully Submitted,
72 Beth Morrison
73 Recording Secretary