



Londonderry Conservation Commission  
Tuesday, February 26, 2019  
Minutes

1 **Present:** Marge Badois, Chair; Gene Harrington, Vice Chair; Deb Lievens, member; Bob Maxwell,  
2 member; Richard Floyd, member; Jocelyn Demas, alternate member and Raymond Brown, alternate  
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5 **Absent:** Mike Noone, member; Mike Byerly, member; Mike Speltz, alternate member, and Town  
6 Council member

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8 **Also present:** Beth Morrison, Recording Secretary

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10 Marge Badois called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. She appointed J Demas to vote for M Noone and R  
11 Brown to vote for M Byerly.

12 **George Plummer III – gravel customer parking area at Map 6 Lot 102:** George (Kit) Plummer  
13 introduced himself to the Commission. G Plummer informed the Commission that he owns a Christmas  
14 tree farm on Pillsbury Road and has been in business now for three years. He said that when he first  
15 started the business, he was going to try and sell a couple hundred trees a year. He noted that this year  
16 he sold 225 trees, but sold out on the third day in business, and there were people that he had to turn  
17 away. He said that the cars parking on Pillsbury is not a good situation, even if it is only two or three  
18 days a year. He told the Commission that the last two years he has planted 1000 trees to try and catch  
19 up to the demand, and hopes that in future years he can accommodate the sales of about 600 trees a  
20 year. He said that both Janusz Czyzowski; P.E, Director of Public Works and Engineering and John  
21 Trottier; P.E, Assistant Director of Public Works and Engineering have spoken to him about improving his  
22 current parking and avoid having people back out onto Pillsbury Road. He explained to the Commission  
23 that where his sales shed is, he would like people to drive right in next to it, as there is space there that  
24 is about 300 feet long. He said he plans on stripping the top soil and put down 1-1/2 inch crushed gravel  
25 to prevent people from getting stuck in the mud. He explained that his easement allows him to do this,  
26 as well as notifying the Conservation Commission before he exercises his rights to do so. He said he  
27 would like to do this project this year and asked if the Commission had any questions for him. G  
28 Harrington stated that this is an approved use and was glad to see it was being done minimally and  
29 safely. R Brown asked if it would increase traffic. G Plummer said that he is open on Saturdays and  
30 Sundays, and anyone coming to his farm would add traffic. R Brown said G Plummer might consider  
31 having someone out to direct traffic for him, such as an off duty police officer. G Plummer said he would  
32 like to avoid that and hopes that this plan will help with the parking on the street. The Commission's  
33 gave their unanimous consensus of approval of the project.

34 **Unfinished Business**

35 **Rabbit Cut:** M Badois informed the Commission that they have started at Hickory Hill and it is very  
36 obvious where they are making their staging area. She said that she made signs and B Maxwell put up



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37 signs, but unfortunately two of the four were taken down. She passed out a map of what is being cut  
38 now to the Commission. R Floyd asked how long it would take. B Maxwell said that it would be two  
39 weeks without weather delays.

40 **Future parking:** M Badois asked the Commission what steps should be taken now to start getting the  
41 future parking planned and approved. D Lievens asked where the Commission was as far as engineering  
42 for the parking. M Badois said she did not think the Commission formally did anything with engineering.  
43 She said that Charlie Moreno told her that while Matt Sweet, current logger, is in the area now, he could  
44 help make that area into a parking lot, but did not know if the Commission could hire Matt to refine the  
45 staging area once he is done. B Maxwell said that there is always water at this site. D Lievens stated that  
46 would be a wetlands application, which would cost some money. M Badois asked what department of  
47 the town to start with. G Harrington said that he thinks she should start with Department of Public  
48 Works, as there is a dredge and fill, ledge crossing, elevation changes and that the actually access road  
49 does not cross on the Commission's property. M Badois said she would start with John Trottier; PE,  
50 Assistant Director of Public Works and Engineering and see who he would recommend.

51 **Musquash Field Day:** M Badois said she thought the event went fabulously and thanked everyone who  
52 helped with publicity. She said that next year it will be the Commission's thirtieth year doing Musquash  
53 Field Day, as well as the 300th year for Nutfield. D Lievens said that the Commission should orchestrate  
54 a history program for this.

55 **Warrant article – table at voting day?:** M Badois asked if the Commission could have a table/booth  
56 with articles during voting day. G Harrington said that she should check with the moderator on this.

57 **Ranger position:** M Badois told the Commission that she has had a conversation with a police officer  
58 about the position, but he does not like the name the Commission gave the position. She said that this  
59 officer suggested the Commission not use ranger in the description and possible call the position a  
60 Conservation Officer. D Lievens said that the word conservation implies monitoring. M Badois said  
61 maybe there will have to be a naming task force for this position. G Harrington said that he thought  
62 Chief Hart was talking to M Speltz about this issue. R Brown asked if the police officers in town could  
63 take on both roles. M Badois said that Londonderry will be the first town to have such a position and  
64 they are figuring everything out now.

65 **ARM:** D Lievens said the ARM grant is coming up for culverts. She said that she will personally contact  
66 the Planning Department to see if someone from the Town can make it to \_\_\_\_\_. She said that she feels  
67 very strongly about culvert work.

68 **New Business**



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69 **Approval of Expenses:** M Badois informed the Commission that there was a bill from Comprehensive  
70 Environmental for the water study for \$9, 645. D Lievens made a motion to approve the payment to  
71 Comprehensive Environmental for \$9, 645 from the Conservation Fund. B Maxwell seconded the  
72 motion. The motion passed, 7-0-0. M

73 M Badois informed the Commission that M Speltz paid \$187.00 for groceries for Musquash Field Day.  
74 She said that the Commission collected \$185.00 in donations and asked if the Commission was in favor  
75 of using the donation money to reimburse M Speltz. The Commissioners agreed unanimously to  
76 reimburse M Speltz with the donation money.

77 M Badois informed the Commission that the sign David Ellis's corrected is printed on plexiglass and he  
78 asked if the Commission could find out who made the sign to replace it. She said she would follow up  
79 with M Noone to see if he knows.

80 **Minutes:** The Commissioners went over the public minutes from January 22, 2018. B Maxwell made a  
81 motion to accept the minutes as amended. G Harrington seconded the motion. The motion passed, 5-0-  
82 1, with D Lievens abstaining.

83 **Kings Road Subdivision:** G Harrington reviewed the Shoreline Permit application for the Kings Road  
84 subdivision with the Commission. G Harrington said that since he is within 250 feet of Beaver Brook, he  
85 needs a Shoreline Permit. (R Brown left the meeting at this point 8:36 p.m.) M Badois asked if the  
86 Commission does anything with the permit, or if the permit is for informational purposes only. G  
87 Harrington said the Commission has never had a Shoreline Permit application before.

88 **DRC**

89 **Currier – Ronzello LLA (Map 13 Lots 24-1 & 24-4):** The Commissioners reviewed the DRC for Currier -  
90 Ronzello LLA commenting that moving lot lines limits access to proposed Lot 13-24-4 due to a wetland  
91 crossing.

92 **Correspondence**

93 **Letter from The Student Conservation Association:** M Badois read the letter from The Student  
94 Conservation Association to the Commission. She said that they are seeking project proposals from land  
95 managers to send groups of students to help with from June through September. D Lievens said she  
96 would like to see what projects they have done first. J Demas asked if they could perform invasive  
97 species work. G Harrington said that would depend on what invasive it is. He said M Badois should keep  
98 this group in mind for field season 2020.



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99 **Trailways:** B Maxwell asked if M Badois had received any further information from Trailways. D Lievens  
100 asked if the meeting had taken place between Trailways and the Commission. M Badois stated that it  
101 had and Trailways is looking to create friends of the trails. B Maxwell said that Trailways is looking for  
102 someone from the Commission to be on their board.

103 **Adjournment:** G Harrington made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. R Floyd seconded the  
104 motion. The motion passed, 6-0-0.

105 Respectfully Submitted,  
106 Beth Morrison  
107 Recording Secretary