



Londonderry Conservation Commission
Tuesday, August 11, 2020
Minutes

1 **Present:** Marge Badois, Chair; Gene Harrington, Vice Chair; Mike Byerly, member; Mike Noone,
2 member; Bob Maxwell, member; Deb Lievens, member; Mike Speltz, alternate member and Susan
3 Malouin, alternate member;

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5 **Absent:** Richard Floyd, member; and Jocelyn Demas, alternate member

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7 **Also present:** Amy Kizak, GIS Comprehensive Manager; Conservation Officer Aprile; Deb Paul, Town
8 Council Liaison and Beth Morrison, Recording Secretary

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10 Marge Badois called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm with a roll call vote. M Badois appointed M Speltz
11 to vote for R Floyd.

12 **Unfinished Business**

13 **Faucher Bridge:** M Badois asked if M Byerly had heard anything from Trailways. M Byerly replied that
14 he has not gone to look at it yet himself.

15 **Encroachment procedure:** M Noone told the Commission that the key points from the final draft were
16 to have a single point of contact, so that if there are any enforcement issues from the Conservation
17 Commission, you will contact myself (M Noone) and he will contact Officer Aprile. He went on noting
18 that if anyone from the Town has any issues, they will contact Officer Aprile, who would then report
19 back to M Noone. He noted that there will be an encroachment log, so it will be tracked in a
20 spreadsheet. Officer Aprile told the Commission he went out in the evening on the trails with someone
21 from Fish & Game to check on ATVs. M Byerly asked what trails he was on. Officer Aprile replied that he
22 was behind F. W. Webb, and they encountered two motorcycles and two ATVS. M Byerly asked if he is
23 warning or citing the people they encounter. Officer Aprile answered that they are citing them. M
24 Badois asked if it was kids or adults. Officer Aprile said that the man was around fifty years old. He
25 mentioned that there is not a night that goes by where there are no ATV problems.

26 **Stream Brochure:** M Noone asked if the two attachments of the brochure that A Kizak emailed are the
27 same. A Kizak replied that one was printed and scanned in to have the white border around it. M Noone
28 asked if the Commission would like to move ahead with the printing once they have voted on the
29 brochure. He said that the cost is roughly about \$2,070 in total. M Badois asked if \$2,500 would cover
30 the expenses. M Noone replied that would be okay. M Speltz made a motion to allocate \$2,500 from the
31 Conservation Fund for the purpose of publishing and distributing the Living with a Stream Brochure. D
32 Lievens seconded the motion. The motion passed, 7-0-0, by a unanimous roll call vote. M Speltz asked
33 what the Commission could do about advertising and suggested a letter to the editor for the Times.

34 **New Business**



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35 **Scobie Pond:** M Badois told the Commission that they never did the Scobie paddle and asked them if
36 they wanted to. M Byerly commented that it could be done if people brought their own kayaks, but
37 thought otherwise it would be hard during the current situation with cleaning them.

38 **Reimbursement:** B Maxwell asked to be reimbursed for camera batteries. M Badois said that she could
39 take care of that with donations from Musquash Field day.

40 **Blazes:** M Byerly told the Commission that he would like to organize volunteers to go and do this in the
41 fall. He said that historically the Commission had different colors for different trails, but asked if they
42 would be willing to go with white blazes on all the trails. M Badois asked if the map references the blaze
43 colors. M Byerly replied that it does. M Badois said they would have to update the maps, but did not feel
44 that they need to be color coded as the Musquash is well labeled with signage. M Noone commented
45 that if it was white blazes everywhere, would this not help someone who was lost if all the blazes are
46 white. B Maxwell remarked that he does not believe that white blazes would be a problem with all the
47 signage people should be able to figure out where they are. M Speltz mentioned that it is not very far on
48 most sections of most trails to an intersection that is marked. The consensus of the Commission was
49 white blazes would be fine. M Byerly said he would start coordinating this for October.

50 **Litchfield trails:** M Badois told the Commission that she received an email from Matt LaFleur of the
51 Litchfield Conservation Commission stating that they are looking to close a trail that connects to the
52 Litchfield State Forest. She noted it connects to the Three Sisters Trail and Heron Trail. She said she has
53 not reached out to them and was going to see if Bob Rimol from Trailways might be involved. A Kizak
54 commented that they just want to close off the trail that goes into Litchfield, so it is clear that they
55 cannot go into the state forest. M Speltz asked if that means you cannot hike into the Litchfield State
56 Forest from Londonderry. A Kizak replied that M Badois should reach out to find out why they
57 need/want to do this. M Byerly asked if anyone knew what the problem is. A Kizak commented that it is
58 her understanding, but would clarify with the Litchfield Conservation Commission, that part of the trail
59 goes over private property and is no longer a valid trail. B Maxwell said that he believes there might be
60 one or two signs regarding the Litchfield State Forest that would need to be taken down.

61 **Future meetings:** M Byerly asked for a consensus on future in-person meetings, as there have been
62 some technical issues and he finds it hard to look at plans on a computer. M Badois said that the
63 Commission can meet in-person in the Moose Hill conference room. B Maxwell and M Speltz both
64 voiced their opposition to this. The consensus was to continue remote meetings at this point.

65 **Island Donation:** M Badois read a letter from Deanna Mele (Exhibit A) into the record. M Speltz said
66 that he worked with Mike Malaguti, Town Prosecutor, on a draft of the deed and it calls it the Robie
67 Animal Habitat. He stated that he does not believe it has been finalized and the Commission could
68 advocate for the name change, of Robie Natural Area.

69 **Other Business**



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70 **Minutes:** The Commissioners went over the public minutes of July 28, 2020. B Maxwell made a motion
71 to approve the minutes as presented. M Speltz seconded the motion. The motion passed by a
72 unanimous roll call vote, 7-0-0.

73 **Adjournment:** M Byerly made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m. G Harrington seconded
74 the motion. The motion passed, 7-0-0, by a unanimous roll call vote, M Badois, G Harrington, D Lievens,
75 B Maxwell, M Noone, M Speltz, M Byerly and S Malouin

76 Respectfully Submitted,
77 Beth Morrison
78 Recording secretary
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