

**Town of New Hampton
Conservation Commission
Minutes**

New Hampton Town Office
Upstairs Meeting Room, 6 Pinnacle Hill Rd.
December 7, 2015

Commission members present: R. Leroux, G. DuBois, D. Moore (Chair), R. Pollock, B. Rolfe, P. Schlesinger

The Chair opened the meeting at 7:00pm

I) Minutes:

Leroux moved and Rolfe seconded accepting the minutes from the 11/11/14 meeting.

Vote was unanimous.

II) Discussion Kelley-Drake Conservation Area (KDCA) Clean Up:

The commissioners reviewed the discussions from the KDCA visit in June, the insights provided by Lagauex, the Town Forester, and the observations made by DuBois during his recent walk of the KDCA, all which concerned the general condition of the property. Members agreed that the KDCA needs attention. Consensus formed around cleaning up the farm site and developing trails to highlight both natural and historical aspects of the property would increase interest in, visits to, and value for New Hampton citizens and others of the KDCA.

III) Discussion surrounding the letter from the New Hampshire Attorney General's Office (AG) to the New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee (SEC) concerning the application for a Certificate of Site and Facility by Northern Pass and Eversource:

AG offered some insights and comments to the SEC about the completeness of application. The commission members focused on what action should be taken if and when the application is accepted. It was agreed that, if the application is accepted, seeking intervenor status would be appropriate for the town, and that Moore will communicate to selectmen the commission's desire to join with both of the select board and planning board in seeking intervention.

IV) Dates for January Planning Retreat:

Moore offered three possible Saturdays for the retreat: January 16th, 23rd, or 30th, and would be sending an email to members to check on availability.

V) New Business: None

VI) Old Business: Leroux mentioned he had been reviewing deeds on line and found reference to three properties in addition to the Dixon Hill and Riverwood that listed conservation easements and wonder if the commission was responsible for monitoring them. Schlesinger said she would check the town records for clarification.

Pollock moved and Schlesinger seconded a motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Submitted,
D. Moore, Acting Scribe