

**Atkinson Conservation Commission Minutes**  
**January 5, 2015, 7:30 PM**  
**Atkinson Town Hall**

**Members Present:**

Tim Dziechowski  
Dan Kimball  
Pete McVay  
Paul Wainwright  
Denise Legault

**Others Present:**

**1. Call to order, attendance**

Chairman Dziechowski called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM, Monday, January 5, 2015.

**2. Guest Business and Plan Reviews:**

- Selectmen - discussion of land swap warrant article

**3. Review of Correspondence**

- Planning Board December 17, 2014 meeting
  - Letter from Atkinson Farm asking to defer Kinney discussion
  - Bob Allen, withdrew (for now) the site plan for 16 Industrial Way, and will resubmit when his wetlands plan is approved by the Department of Environmental Services
  - AROD lot line adjustment deeds are done and awaiting signatures
- Planning Board 01/21/15 meeting
  - Atkinson Farm, conceptual review of Kinney land development

**4. Dredge and Fills / Site Walks / Complaints**

- Woodlawn Trail Entrance - no action
- Wetlands Permits - No news on Hall Farm Road
- Monitoring form for the Caroline Orr Town Forest (Tim) - no action
- Monitoring for Winslow Drive and Little River Lane developments
- 2015 Perambulation - no action

**5. Other Business**

- Department of Recreation and Economic Development (DRED) Grant Reimbursement from the General Fund - check from the State of New Hampshire for \$3,400.23 was made out to Atkinson Conservation Commission but was deposited to the general fund. We have to ask the Selectmen to transfer this from the general fund to the conservation fund.
- Future Trail Plan and Work - Mr. John Vesey (Michelle's husband) has volunteered to cut in a trail from Crown Hill Road to the Plaistow trail system. This would be on the Noyes Rock Shelter parcel. Mr. Dziechowski is concerned that it is very steep there, and Mr. McVay

mentioned that there is no parking on the road there, either. Chair Dziechowski suggested a small parking lot. Michelle Vesey reports Southeast Land Trust (SELT) conservation easement markers over the town line which may be a mistake on Plaistow's part. A small parcel of Plaistow land juts into Atkinson and some Atkinson land juts into Plaistow. The Commission discussed whether it was Plaistow land or Atkinson land.

- Letter to New Hampshire Department of Transportation Expressing Conservation Commission Support for a Land Swap - After the warrant article passes.
- Warrant article(s) - Selectmen's Articles in by 12/1/14
  - Land Swap - 2015 Article 8, which would swap one acre of Conservation land for 13 acres of prime wetland. The Selectmen's vote 3-0, however the Selectmen have some concerns and now want to talk.
  - Lean to shed - 2015 Article 9, Selectmen's vote 2-1, funding to construct the lean-to was removed, leaving only funding for materials. The Selectmen put in \$4,000 which is enough for materials.

Chair Dziechowski adjourned the meeting at 7:45 PM and the Conservation Commission members appeared before the Selectmen to discuss the Warrant Articles.

Chair Dziechowski called the meeting to order at 8:30 PM.

- Deadline for petition warrant article(s) (if needed) is Tuesday, January 13, 2015 - a petition warrant article will not be needed.

## 6. Other New Business -

Denise Legault reported that she received something from New Hampshire Fish and Game. The residents of Governor's Island have requested that snowmobiles and ATV's stay off the island. Snowmobilers may only use approved trails and must obtain permission from the landowner before riding on the land. The Judge Marshall Land is another concern for use by snowmobilers. Ms. Legault pointed out that it is difficult to police.

Mr. Wainwright reported that one of the trucks from Northside Carting Company is leaking oil. Chair Dziechowski recommended that Mr. Wainwright speak to the Road Agent or Mr. Innes. Mr. Wainwright has mentioned it to the Town Administrator.

Mr. Dziechowski reported that the Town of Epping got \$400,000 for an easement on 800 acres of forest. The Town is trying to piece together a green corridor to Great Bay.

## 7. Internal Business

- Town report requested by December 5, 2014
- 2014 expenses
  - Mowing - Trinity Camp field is done, Bonin field is done, Sawyer 4H field is done (the last in 2015). Milkweed is returning, especially in the 4H field.
  - Canoe launch dock repairs - defer parts and repair to 2015
  - Entrance to Judge Marshall town forest - grade and fill may not be needed, access looked pretty good, all that is needed is the lot line adjustment and recording of the deed.
  - Entrance to Woodlawn trail - no action
  - Equipment - no action

- Signs - VOSS stock trail markers - the quote for replacement boundary markers is \$525 for 500, and \$745 for 1000 (includes setup). No time to turn around artwork for 2014. Will revisit in 2015.
- Land Acquisition - nothing
- Special projects - none discussed
- 2015 budget - The Budget Committee cut the Conservation Commission budget by \$2,000. Mr. Dziechowski will defend and restore cuts at the Deliberative Session.

8. **Minutes** December 15, 2014

**Member Denise Legault made a motion to approve the December 15, 2014 minutes of the Atkinson Conservation Commission as amended. Member Paul Wainwright seconded the motion. All members of the Atkinson Conservation Commission voted in favor. Vote: 5/0.**

9. **Adjournment**

**Mr. Paul Wainwright made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the Atkinson Conservation Commission at 9:25 PM, Monday, January 5, 2015. Mr. Pete McVay seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. Vote: 5/0.**

The January 5, 2015 meeting of the Conservation Commission was adjourned at 9:25 PM. The next meeting will be Monday, February 2, 2015 at 7:30 PM.