

TOWN OF DURHAM

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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

July 22, 2024 Council Chambers – Durham Town Hall 8 Newmarket Road, Durham, NH 7:00 PM <u>AGENDA</u> Commission Members Dwight Trueblood, Chair Erin Hardie Hale, Vice Chair Wayne Burton, Town Council Rep. Richard Kelley, Planning Board Rep. Nick Lanzer John Nachilly Neil Slepian Jacob Cragg, alternate Anne Lightbody, alternate Steve Moyer, alternate

Michael Behrendt, Town Planner Sara Callaghan, Land Stewardship Coordinator Lucie Bryar, Minute Taker

- I. Call to Order
- II. Land Acknowledgment Statement
- III. Roll Call and Seating of Alternates
- IV. Approval of Agenda
- V. Public Comments
- VI. Land Stewardship Update. Sara Callaghan, Land Stewardship Coordinator. 7:10 to 7:20 pm*
- VII. <u>Climate Action Plan</u>. Discussion with Sophie Goodwin, Durham Sustainability Fellow, about Durham's Climate Action Plan. <u>7:20 to 7:50 pm</u>
- VIII. <u>Wagon Hill Farm Shoreland Restoration Phase II</u>. Discussion with Mark West, West Environmental, on Town of Durham's plan to stabilize 1,800 feet of shoreline, restore 4,057 square feet of salt marsh habitat, restore 2,805 square feet of tidal buffer habitat, and relocate portions of the trail, extending efforts completed in 2019. The Town has applied to NHDES for a wetland permit for the project. <u>7:50 to 8:20 pm</u>
- IX. <u>2025 Budget for Conservation Commission</u>. Development of proposed budget for calendar year 2025. <u>8:20 to 8:25 pm</u>
- X. <u>Wetland and Shoreland Overlay District Zoning Amendment</u>. Discussion with Neil Slepian and Dwight Trueblood about proposed new Wetland and Shoreland Overlay District (WSOD) to replace the current Wetland Conservation Overlay District (WCOD) and Shoreland Protection Overlay District (WPOD). A committee appointed by the Conservation Commission has been working for over a year to rewrite the WCOD and SPOD. The committee now has a draft to present to the commission. <u>8:25 to 9:10 pm</u>
- XI. Review of Minutes: June 10, 2024 <u>9:10 to 9:15 pm</u>
- XII. Other Business
 - Does the commission want to have a table for Farm Day on August 17? <u>9:15 to 9:20 pm</u>
 - Consideration of Invasive Plant list in Site Plan Regulations
- XIII. Roundtable. Updates from Conservation Commission members. <u>9:20 to 9:30 pm</u>
- XIV. Adjournment (by 9:30 unless extended by the commission)

*Note that the times listed after each item above are rough estimates only.

PUBLIC INPUT

Members of the public may provide input on any matter before the commission in one of two ways:

- 1) <u>Email</u>. Send an email to Michael Behrendt, Town Planner, at <u>mbehrendt@ci.durham.nh.us</u> by 12:00 noon on the day of the meeting (You can also mail, drop off, or fax a letter); or
- 2) <u>Speak at the meeting</u>. The public is welcome to speak about any specific agenda item when that item comes up on the agenda and about any other appropriate subject during Public Comments time.

OTHER INFORMATION

<u>Additional information</u>. Information on the items above are available for review on the Town website at www.ci.durham.nh.us.

<u>Contacting us</u>. Please contact Michael Behrendt, Durham Town Planner, with questions or comments at (603) 868-8064 or <u>mbehrendt@ci.durham.nh.us</u>.

<u>Communication aids</u>. Please provide the Town 48-hours notice if special communication aids are needed.

Next meeting. The next Conservation Commission meeting will be Monday, August 23, 2024.