

TEMPLE CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Final Minutes of Public Meeting, March 15, 2016
Location: Temple Town Hall Annex

Attendees: Cathy Joly, Lincoln Geiger, Sean Radcliffe, Honey Hastings, Dave Repak, John Kieley
Absent: Eric Foley, Adie Kulis

Opening at 6:45 pm

Reviewed and Approved February 16, 2016 minutes

Expedited dredging permit for David Forrest

Reviewed the request including photos and maps. The group approved the dredge and fill request.

Discussion of Timber operation on Mountain View Road

Reviewed the mail notices of the timber operation on Mountain View Road. Discussed the dramatic change in appearance of the road.

Wendy Davis land

John has not yet contacted the Wendy Davis lawyer..

White Ledges access

Lincoln Geiger has not yet asked Eric Foley to buy and apply the new lock and chain as they are missing from the gate on the access road to the White Ledges. It was disclosed that Eric is taking a job in Washington State. *Lincoln will follow up with getting a lock and chain..*

DES Managing Stormwater presentation

The commission discussed the planned NH DES presentation for Managing Stormwater and decided on April 21st as the best night for the event. *Cathy Joly will make a detailed invitation for the event. Sean Radcliffe will forward the invitation to his list of conservation commissioners.*

Bobcats

Discussion about the recent news about allowing bobcat hunting. Honey explained that this isn't a bill but a "Fish and Game" rule. The rule must be adopted by the JLCAR on April 1st. Honey explained how the rule would cost the state money because it would take \$15,000 to regulate but would earn only \$5,000 (\$50 permit * 100 people). Honey motioned the group should oppose the hunting and trapping of bobcats because they are:

- Bobcats are scarce and rare.
- Bobcats are a wildlife alternative
- Bobcats are not a food source (for humans).
- Hunting bobcats will cost the state money because regulation costs are greater than hunting license fees, thus reducing funds from other NH Fish and Game programs.
- Bobcats are not causing any problems.
- Bobcats are an important part of the NH ecosystem.

The group approved the motion. *Sean Radcliffe will send to JLCAR. Individuals should also send to JLCAR.*

Kinder-Morgan Pipeline

John Kieley explained the Temple Ad-Hoc Pipeline Advisory Committee (TAPAC) goal to have a plan to test air, water, community health and soil. When the plan is finalized, the conservation commission should approve. Discussion of wetlands and aquifer maps created by Chris Covell and Kinder-Morgan's plans to take water from SCAT land for hydrostatic testing pipe/compressor station.

Town owned lots for sale on Rt 45

The Temple Board of Selectmen want to sell the town owned lots on west side of Rt 45 adjacent the former "MA center". Lot 2-75-1 offers access to trails on Kieley land leading to Pratt (conserved) land and eventually the Wapack trail. The commission discussed agreed to the value of using a portion of lot 2-75-1 as a connector between Chris Weston Conservation Area trails and private trails leading to Wapack. *Lincoln Geiger will talk to Selectman George Willard about this topic.*

Next meeting

The meeting ended early at 7:00 pm for the SB2 Hearing. The next meeting is on April 12th at 6:30 pm.

Minutes submitted by Sean Radcliffe. *Italics* above indicate tasks to be done or motions.