



**CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
MEETING**

Thursday, January 15, 2015  
City Hall, Council Chambers, Claremont, NH

**MINUTES  
Approved 2/19/2015**

- I. **Roll Call**  
**Present:** Gary Dickerman, Dianne Harlow, Cortney Nichols, Steve Wood, Scott Magnuson  
**Absent:** Nick Koloski
  
- II. **Review of Minutes of Preceding Meeting(s)**
  - a. **November 20, 2014**  
Corrections requested were:
    - (1) Item VII(c) - Change NHCC to NHACC
    - (2) Item VII (a) – Change sponserees to sponsorees**Motion:** To accept the minutes as corrected  
**Made by:** Mr. Dickerman      **Second:** Ms. Nichols      **Vote:** Unanimous in favor
  
- III. **Finance Report**  
The finance report was not up to date as it did not show payment of the NHACC annual dues. No action was taken.
  
- IV. **Public Comment**  
There was no public comment.
  
- V. **Old Business**  
There was no old business to discuss.
  
- VI. **New Business**
  - a. **Update on waiver for rail-trail motorized vehicles by City Solicitor, Jane Taylor**  
Attorney Taylor stated that the City now has clearance from Federal Highway Administration to apply for the waiver. She explained the complex rules of the Federal Highway Administration and the New Hampshire Department of Transportation that must be followed in the application process. Attorney Taylor is taking the lead on the application with some assistance from Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission. She said at some point she will involve the state and local Congressional delegation. The Commission had the opportunity to ask questions. Attorney Taylor is aiming for a public hearing sometime in March.
  
  - b. **Review NHACC Annual Survey form**  
The Commission reviewed and completed the survey as a group. Chairman Wood will submit it to NHACC.

VII. **Communications**

VIII. **Other Business**

Mrs. Harlow has taken the lead on updating the Barry Conservation Camp sponsorship information and application packet. Mr. Wood noted that the Commission's budget has not increased lately because of the lack of funds coming from the state. He noted that funding for camp sponsorships may have to come from sources other than the Commission's budget.

Ms. Nichols updated the Commission on the new website she has created for the Commission. It is accessible through the NHACC website. The Commissioners thanked Ms. Nichols for taking on this project.

The Commission welcomed new member Scott Magnuson.

IX. **Adjournment**

**Motion:** To adjourn the meeting.

**Made by:** Mr. Dickerman

**Second:** Mr. Magnuson

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor

The meeting adjourned at 7:01 PM.

**Respectfully submitted,**

*deForest Bearse*

Resource Coordinator