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Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes June 8, 2026, 4:00 p.m.

Members Present: Bruce Cote, Bob Keating, Dan McAuliffe, Allison Knabb, Brad Jones, Ryan Olsen, Tim Copeland (Alternate)

Members Not Present: Chris West

Non-Members Present: Vanessa Price, Director of Planning and Building

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 pm by Chairperson Cote

4:02 pm – Chairperson Cote motioned to authorize Tim Copeland as a voting member. Motion passed unanimously.

4:05 pm – Review of previous meeting minutes

- Mr. Keating made a motion to approve the May 27th meeting minutes as written. Mr. Jones seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

4:07 pm Review of prepared letter to NHDES regarding 80 & 81 Winnicutt Dredge & Fill Application

- Members reviewed a previously prepared letter outlining the concerns and recommendations of the Stratham Conservation Commission regarding the Dredge & Fill Application (NHDES File 2026-01170).
 - Topics were reviewed individually, and Chairperson Cote requested any input or additions that may be needed. The Committee agreed that the topics of concern were thoroughly covered by the letter.
 - Mr. McAuliffe commented on changing the tone of the conclusion paragraph to further emphasize the significant concerns Commission members have with the multiple wetland and environmental impacts detailed in the scope of work of the application.
 - Committee members agreed an edit is appropriate to emphasize the feeling from Committee members that the environmental impact is excessive.

4:18 pm – Ms. Knab made a motion to authorize Chairperson Cote to sign the letter, as edited, on behalf of the Stratham Conservation Commission and submit it to NHDES for review. Mr. Keating seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

4:23 pm Review of Letter of Support regarding Town Landing Living Shoreline PREPA Grant

- Committee members reviewed the PREPA Grant and letter of support from Stratham Conservation Commission.

- Ms. Knab asked a few questions regarding the budget amount and allocation. Ms. Knab reiterated that more information should be gathered on costs for 3rd party contractors to ensure that no town funds were spent on this project.
- No other concerns were raised.

4:25 pm- Ms. Knab made a motion to authorize Chairperson Cote to sign the letter of recommendation as written and proceed with the PREPA Grant process. Mr. Jones seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4:30pm No other topics to be discussed. Ms. Knab made motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Jones seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Ryan Olsen