



Cocheco River Local Advisory Committee

Strafford County, New Hampshire

MINUTES

April 10, 2024

Rochester Public Library

Rose Room

65 S. Main Street

Rochester, NH 03867

Free Conference Call Opened at 6:30 PM

CALLED TO ORDER-ROLL CALL: The meeting convened at 6:3 PM. Quorum Present

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Present:** John Mullen, *Jon Batson, Mark Jennings*, Kimberly McGlinchey, *John Mullen-Chair. Absent:* Nyssa Seekamp

OTHERS PRESENT: Sara Gibson: Student Spaulding HS, Kimberly Adams: Rochester Resident

APPROVAL OF PAST MINUTES:

Review of Minutes for 02/14/2024

J. Batson motioned to approve the transcribed minutes for February 14, 2024. M. Jennings seconded. No Discussion. *Motion Carried. No meeting has held in March 2024.*

APPLICATION REVIEWS:

a. Franklin Torr & Patrica Torr Aiken, Standard Impact Wetlands Permit-RFMI Response, Chestnut Hill Road, Farmington, NH, Map R-32, Lot 6

The review is for an application for a large gravel pit off Chestnut Hill Road, Farmington, NH. The new set of application documents were provided because the applicant reduced wetland boundaries due to previous delineating data secured during snow covered conditions. The new collection process was done with no snow. CRLAC has concerns of the proximity of Cocheco River to the gravel pit and the flow of the river during a heavy rain event. Due diligence is recommended to insure that no possible overflow during a high river flow enters the gravel pit as it is depleted. Additionally, the Committee would like to ensure a reclamation plan is implemented upon closure of the pit. These recommendations were unanimously approved by the members present.

b. Revised Std Dredge & Fill Wetlands Permit NHDES File Number: 2024-00447. Subject Property: Y170 Right-of-Way, Rochester, Map 0122, Lot 0093-000, Transmission Line Structure Replacement Project.



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The Committee reviewed the project by Eversource to upgrade power lines and unanimously found no issues with the application.

- c. **Revised Std Dredge & Fill Wetland Permit, NHDES File Number 2024-00736. Rte. 16 (Spaulding Turnpike) Dover, Tax Map #N/A, Lot # N/A. Bridge Rehab #106/133 and 105/133**

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- d. **Alteration of Terrain Application, S.U.R. Construction Torr Pit, Little Falls Bridge Road, Rochester, NH, Tax Map 207 Parcel 001.**

The Committee reviewed the AOT Application for the S.U.R. Pit and advised to continue monitoring the extraction of material and its relationship with the Cocheco River.

NEW BUSINESS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. **River Management Plan:** The plan application had to make some modifications and appears to have delayed its resolution. Date is unknown at this as to when the application will be reviewed.

MEMBERSHIP: None

REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE:

- a. **Stonearch Dev Corp, Wetlands and non-Site Permit 2023-03020 Issued Permit**

MEMBERS COMMENTS: A reminder of the Cocheco River Clean-Up-Nature Groupie UNH was still on for Saturday., April 13, 2024

ADJOURNMENT: Jon Batson motioned to adjourned, Mark Jennings seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Next Meeting May 8, 2024

Respectively submitted: John A. Mullen Jr., Chair.