

Commission Members: Chair Ellen Douglas, Vice Chair William Knee, Members Rich Cooper, Cindy Crane, ~~Jack Carson~~; Anne Beliveau, Alternate and Land Use Admin Leanne Miner

I. WELCOME and CALL TO ORDER Ms. Douglas called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

II. MINUTES –

A. March 4 and May 18, 2026, minutes were approved.

III. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Natural Resources Master Plan – Implementation Plan – The group reviewed this document. For the next meeting members will report on their top 3 action items to consider for 2027.
- B. 2027 Budget – Keeping in mind the above plan, members reviewed and considered a budget for 2027.
- C. Data Centers and Water Use – There was discussion on this topic. Ellen placed an inquiry with Maddie DiIunno with the Rockingham Planning Commission (RPC) about Nottingham and any efforts by RPC. Members discussed zoning and consideration of commercial uses that are heavy water users. The NH Department of Environmental Services is also active in this area as high water users currently require state approvals. Leanne to research original reference for Aquifer Protection District for informational purposes and distribute. Discussed ways to build awareness of water resources and conservation.

IV. CONTINUED BUSINESS:

- A. Timber Harvest Planning – Leanne to follow up with Charlie.
- B. Easement Monitoring – Rich to follow up with Chris Ring
- C. Town Forest Marketing – Rich to follow up with Chris Ring on drone work
- D. Town Forest Ordinance – Leanne to update for group review.

V. OTHER DEPARTMENT NEWS

- A. ZBA Hearing – Jockey Cap Stables – Variance and Special Exception were granted. Conservation Commission recommendations were applied.
- B. Planning Board – Map 2, Lot 154, Main Street Griffith 2-Lot Subdivision – Hearing continued to July 15. Planning Board denied a waiver request from well radius requirement in Article 3 of the Subdivision regulations. The Applicant has asked the Planning Board to reconsider.

VI. REPORT FROM OPEN SPACE

- A. Oak Ridge North Trails are being staked.
- B. UNH Cooperative Extension – Webinar. Rich to attend on behalf of the Commission.

VII. ADMINISTRATION

- A. Calendar - The next meeting is August 3, 2026
- B. Correspondence – None
- C. Administration/Budget - None.

VII. ADJOURNMENT - Anne motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM. Cindy seconded the motion, and the vote was 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Melanie Sloan
Melanie Sloan , Land Use Administrative Assistant