

Gilford Conservation Commission  
Minutes for January 20, 2010 Meeting  
Approved on

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**2. ATTENDANCE**

Members Present: Chairman-John Goodhue, Vice-Chairman, Lee Duncan; Chuck Coons; Douglas Hill; Larry Routhier; Everett McLaughlin; Donald Sibson, Carole Hall and Diane Hanley.

Members Absent: Rudy Lehr, Terry Stewart, Tom Drouin.

Others present:

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**Call meeting to order:**

The meeting was called to order by J. Goodhue at \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

**Establish a quorum**

J. Goodhue announced a quorum is established.

**Approval of Agenda:**

Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to approve the agenda as presented.  
Motion carried with all in favor.

**3. APPLICATIONS:**

**Standard Dredge & Fill Leonard & Lisa D'Orlando Gilford Tax Map & Lot #218-012 located at 278 Edgewater Drive.**

Applicant proposes to repair tip of breakwater, dockage, restore breakwater to originally permitted dimensions by removing 133 sq. ft of fill; dredge one boat slip, replace existing non-conforming canvas canopy with a single canopy covering 2 boat slips, request an after-the-fact approval to retain one of the finger piers at 4 ft. wide, request an after-the-fact approval for 2 seasonal PWC lifts, remove previous crib dock debris/remains (rocks only no dredge), construct 6'x25' ft piling dock to provide 3<sup>rd</sup> boat slip on Gilford Tax Map & Lot #218-012 located at 278 Edgewater Drive.

*Tabled from the January 5, 2010 meeting.*

**Discussion:** J. Goodhue recused himself from participating on the application

L. Duncan explained he and L. Routhier visited the property. They have concerns over the dock that runs parallel to the shore located by the PWC slips. Paul Goodwin, Watermark Marine Construction, said he doesn't want to have to dredge any material but since the property is allowed 3 boat slips, the owners would like to have the additional slip. The Commissioners

noted this area has intense wave action. P. Goodwin said there was a permit issued for the site in 1993 for the breakwater and this application will bring the site into compliance by reducing the size of the breakwater.

**Action (if any)**

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**Motion:** Motion made by L. Duncan, seconded by L. Routhier, to recommend approval. Motion carried with all in favor.

**4. PRESENTATIONS-** None at this time.

**5. THE MCLAUGHLIN REPORT-by Everett McLaughlin**

**Discussion:**

**Powell property**

E. McLaughlin spoke about the Powell property and he requested a copy of the deed from John Ayer.

The Commissioners discussed the NRI and decided to go with whatever Nancy Rendall has in place for now in order to get the project completed. L. Duncan said he spoke to Dave Glasier and he may have the software to add the snow mobile trails to the maps.

**Lakes Region Watershed Committee**

L. Duncan spoke about the need for all the neighboring lake communities to work together for land use regulations in order to protect the watershed of Lake Winnepesaukee. If all the lake communities establish their own regulations, that would be better than having the state mandate regulations upon the municipalities.

**6. OTHER BUSINESS:**

Discussion for 2010 proposed wetland buffer amendment

**Discussion:**

D. Hill discussed the wetland ordinance subcommittee and how it was decide they will focus on writing a mission statement for the ordinance. He noted that Terry Stewart is opposed to the ordinance as presented.

He discussed the surrounding towns have a wetland buffer ordinance and in many ways this ordinance is more lenient than other ordinances. He distributed a draft for the Commissioners to

review and asked them to return comments to him by the next meeting.

J. Goodhue spoke about the need for the ordinance as there are many sensitive areas in town that will benefit from this ordinance. All the Commissioners agreed, except T. Stewart.

T. Stewart spoke about over regulation and said this is an example of overreaching form of government instituting more regulations. He spoke about positive aspects of regulations as related to wildlife conservation that he can see more wildlife in the woods. He doesn't like regulations installed that he, personally cannot see the need in the community. He said if he can be shown the need for the regulation that would make a difference for him. He cited one section of the ordinance that would prevent people from having outdoor gatherings on their property if they happen to have wetland areas on their property. He thinks that is the problem with the regulation.

The Commissioners discussed the trees in the Gunstock River off of Route 11C. C. Coons said he spoke with NHDOT Officials on site and NHDOT said they do not have the equipment to remove the trees and the material on the site. NHDOT said the Commissioners should notify the property owner.

The Commissioners decided they would write a letter to the property owner and cc: Sheldon Morgan, Director of DPW; NHDOT District 3 and the Board of Selectmen.

## **7. MINUTES-**

Motion made by L. Routhier, seconded by L. Duncan, to approve the minutes from January 5, 2010 meeting as presented. Motion carried with all in favor.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by T. Drouin, seconded by C. Coons, to adjourn at 8:06 p.m. Motion carried with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

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