

Gilford Conservation Commission  
Minutes for May 3, 2011 Meeting

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE**

Inappropriate

**2. ATTENDANCE**

Members Present: Vice-Chairman-Lee Duncan; Everett McLaughlin; Douglas Hill; Chuck Coons; and Donald Sibson. Alternates Carole Hall and John Jude.

Members Absent: Chairman-John Goodhue, Diane Hanley, Tom Drouin and Larry Routhier.

Others in attendance:  
Stephanie Verdile Philibotte, Technical Assistant.

**Call meeting to order:**

The meeting was called to order by L. Duncan at 7:02 p.m.

**Establish a quorum**

L. Duncan announced a quorum is established after appointing C. Hall and J. Jude to replace absent regular members John Goodhue and Tom Drouin.

**Approval of Agenda:**

Motion made by C. Coons, seconded by E. McLaughlin, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried with all in favor.

**3. APPLICATIONS:**

- 1 **Standard Dredge & Fill Application, Glen & Tessa Cooper, Tax Map & Lot #267-151.000, located at 46 Terrace Hill Rd, Gilford, NH 03249.**

Applicant proposes to remove an existing permanent docking structure and ice cluster, install a 4' x 40' seasonal hinged pier anchored to concrete pad to be constructed behind legal full lake elevation 504.32, repair existing concrete wharf area with no change in footprint consisting of re-facing with wood decking in lieu of concrete and repair existing stone lake access

steps with no change in size, configuration or location. *Tabled from April 19, 2011.*

**Discussion:**

Commissioners discussed current level of lake. C. Hall discussed having the agent submit information on the water depths on the plan.

The Commission is concerned about the length of the proposed extension of the dock and noted that changes are being made to the plan contrary to what the agent has indicated on the application.

**Action (if any)** The Commission decided to maintain their original four concerns to the release of the application. The Commissioners noted that the agent was unable to attend the meeting.

**Motion:** Motion made by D. Sibson, seconded by C. Coons, to: approve the application with the following recommendations:

1. There is information lacking on the depths of water on site.
2. Length and location of proposed structures are different.
3. Explain the need to work within the setback.
4. The Commission noted the agent was not able to attend meetings at night.

Motion carried with all in favor.

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

**5. OTHER BUSINESS**

**6. THE MCLAUGHLIN REPORT-by Everett McLaughlin:**

(If Needed)~Non Public Session Per RSA 91-A:3 II (d) Consideration of the acquisition, sale, or lease of real or personal property which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interests are adverse to those of the general community.

**Discussion:** Doug Hill recused himself from participating in the discussion.

E. McLaughlin would like to clarify where the monetary donations for the conservation land purchased are deposited; are they credited in the Conservation

Fund or into another account.

The Commission discussed it was their understanding the monetary donations should go into the Conservation Fund. E. McLaughlin agreed.

E. McLaughlin discussed a September 2008 Conservation meeting where a motion was made and passed dealing with the contribution of \$132, 263.00 for the Persons' easement and he thought that money was withdrawn from the Conservation Fund. He is concerned about where individual donations made to specific easement purchases end up and if that money is deposited into the Conservation Fund.

The Commission is under the impression that all land donations are deposited into the Conservation Fund and that it was their intent in September 2008 to utilize \$115,000.00 from the Conservation Fund and \$17,000.00 from the land donations that were specified for the Persons' Conservation Easement.

D. Hill did say that there is no separate account for land donations and there is no legal requirement to separate and track funds.

#### **7. MINUTES-** April 5, 2011 meeting

Motion made by D. Sibson, seconded by C. Coons, to approve the minutes from April 5, 2011 as amended. Motion carried with all in favor.

April 19, 2011 meeting

Motion made by D. Sibson, seconded by C. Coons, to approve the minutes from April 19, 2011 as amended. Motion carried with all in favor

#### **8. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by D. Sibson, seconded by C. Coons, to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.  
Motion carried with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Verdile Philibotte

Technical Assistant