

## **PISCATAQUOG RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

### **AGENDA**

Meeting #320

Tuesday, March 18, 2025, 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm  
Emma Sawyer Room, Weare Public Library

Any questions regarding this meeting contact:

Jane Beaulieu, Chair

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- Approval of minutes:
  - February 18, 2025, Meeting #319
- Correspondence
- Permit Application Review
- Old Business
  - Bass Island Update
  - Goffstown River Advisory Committee - Dam updates
  - Piscataquog River Management Plan Update
  - Goffstown Pedestrian Bridge
- New Business
- Membership
- Confirm next meeting date, Meeting #321 – Tuesday, April 15, 2025, 5:30 pm at the Weare Public Library.
- Adjournment

## **PISCATAQUOG RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PRLAC)**

**Meeting #319**

**February 18, 2025**

### **MINUTES**

#### **MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

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| • Chair Jane Beaulieu, Manchester (Term exp. 08/30/26)                  | <input type="checkbox"/> present<br><input type="checkbox"/> ✓ absent |
| • Vice Chair John Magee, Community-at-large member (Term exp. 02/22/27) | <input type="checkbox"/> ✓ present<br><input type="checkbox"/> absent |
| • Clerk Andrew Cadorette, Goffstown (Term exp. 05/29/27)                | <input type="checkbox"/> ✓ present<br><input type="checkbox"/> absent |
| • Keith Erf, Weare (Term exp. 01/27/26)                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> ✓ present<br><input type="checkbox"/> absent |
| • Donna Mombourquette, New Boston (Term exp. 04/08/25)                  | <input type="checkbox"/> ✓ present<br><input type="checkbox"/> absent |
| • Gary Samuels, Deering (Term exp. 10/31/26)                            | <input type="checkbox"/> present<br><input type="checkbox"/> ✓ absent |

#### **OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Guest: None

#### **Call to Order**

John called the meeting to order at 5:40 pm.

#### **12/17/24 MEETING MINUTES:**

**Andy made a motion to approve the December 17, 2024, minutes. Motion was seconded by Keith. VOTE: 4-0-0. Motion Passed.**

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Jane provided the Committee with a copy of the letter she sent the Manchester Economic Development Department seeking support for our update to the Piscataquog River Management Plan.

#### **PERMIT APPLICATION REVIEWS**

- Alteration of Terrain (AoT) Bureau Permit Application (RSA 485 – A:17); NHDES Permit AoT - Unknown; File Number: Unknown; Project Name: Commercial Site Plan for TMS Tower Hill Holdings, LLC. Owner: TMS Tower Hill Holdings, LLC. Subject Property: Tower Lane, Goffstown; Tax Map #6, Lot #1-6-1. The purpose of this project is to construct a 15,200 sf vehicle repair facility with associated parking, access drive and drainage. [zac@tmsdiesel.com](mailto:zac@tmsdiesel.com); [tryandow@meridianlandservices.com](mailto:tryandow@meridianlandservices.com); [lrm@des.nh.gov](mailto:lrm@des.nh.gov); [Michael.J.Schlosser@des.nh.gov](mailto:Michael.J.Schlosser@des.nh.gov); [ridge.mauck@des.nh.gov](mailto:ridge.mauck@des.nh.gov);

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Melissa.F.Rusinski@des.nh.gov.

### **PRLAC Comments:**

The Committee makes the following recommendations:

- The Committee appreciates the effort the applicant put into their Stormwater Management Report, and Storm Water Management System Inspection and Maintenance Manual. Given the possibility of leaks and spills from parked vehicles, what other stormwater/run off designs did the applicant consider, and is the presented design the best for protecting the critical wetland habitat near the project?
- While there were no species of concern specifically identified, given the location of nearby wetlands the Committee recommends catch basins should have grate opening no larger than 2" x 2" and removing sumps from catch basins and outlet control structures located next to grassy and wet areas.
- The committee recommends that all Storm Water Management System Inspection and Maintenance reports be available publicly online.
- The Committee recommend the Green SnowPro Certification program and recommends that all employees of the facility be Green SnowPro Certified, not just those performing winter maintenance activities.
- The Committee recommends that Magnesium Chloride (MGCL2) not be used in deicing.
- The Committee recommends that no Polyfluorinated Substances (PFAS) are to be used on site. If they are, what steps is the applicant taking to protect the watershed from PFAS contamination?
- Given proximity to critical wetlands, the Committee recommends that if property owners choose to fertilize, they only use low- or no-phosphorous slow-release organic fertilizer.
- Recommend the use of wildlife friendly erosion control fabric and materials.
- Reclamation seeding and plantings should only use native species, and any reclamation should avoid bio-solid based products.
- Recommend the use of wildlife friendly erosion control fabric and materials.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **• Piscataquog River Management Plan (PRMP).**

John updated the committee on the status of our 604 (b) Grant application. John will begin reviewing town ordinances related to the river from each community and create a database to share. Donna volunteered to help John with the project.

For reference see:

- Piscataquog River Management Plan:  
<https://www4.des.state.nh.us/blogs/rivers/wp-content/uploads/2010-Piscataquog-River-Mnmt-Plan-Update.pdf>
- Other LAC management plans: <https://www.des.nh.gov/water/rivers-and-lakes/rivers-management-and-protection>.
- Local River Management Advisory Committee Website:  
<https://www.lac.des.nh.gov>.

- **Piscataquog River Dams.**

Andy updated the Committee on the Goffstown River Advisory Committee and the status of the dams along the Piscataquog.

Prior Goffstown River Advisory meetings can be viewed online at the links below:

- [Goffstown River Advisory Committee - September 24, 2024](#)
- [Goffstown River Advisory Committee - October 16, 2024](#)
- [Goffstown River Advisory Committee - November 20, 2024](#)
- [Goffstown River Advisory Committee - December 18, 2024](#)
- [Goffstown River Advisory Committee - January 15, 2025](#)
- [Goffstown River Advisory Committee - February 19, 2025](#)

- **Goffstown Pedestrian Bridge (Goffstown Rail Trail).**

Andy updated the Committee that the Town of Goffstown has applied for a NHDOT Transportation Alternative Program Grant (TAP) for the construction of the pedestrian bridge across the Piscataquog River in Goffstown. Andy thanked the Committee for providing a letter of support. Grant award announcements are expected in late summer 2025.

- **The Friends of the Piscataquog River Park.**

No updates

- **Bass Island, Manchester**

No updates

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Letter of Support – Round 3 Restoring Fish Passage through Barrier Removal  
**John made a motion to retroactively support the letter provided to NH DES for their application for the Round 3 Restoring Fish Passage through Barrier Removal Grant for the construction of fish passage on the Kelley’s Falls Dam in Manchester. Motion was seconded by Keith. VOTE: 4-0-0. Motion Passed.**
- Letter of Commitment - PRLAC Letter of Commitment for Volunteer Hours  
**Andy made a motion to retroactively support the Letter of Commitment of Volunteer Hours provided NH DES for our 604(b) grant application. The motion was seconded by Donna. VOTE: 4-0-0. Motion Passed.**
- 2024 Annual Report  
**Keith made a motion to approve our 2024 Annual Report, with recommended edits. The motion was seconded by Donna. VOTE: 4-0-0. Motion Passed.**
- 2023 -2024 Biennial Report  
**Keith made a motion to approve our 2023 - 2024 Biennial Report, with recommended edits. The motion was seconded by Donna. VOTE: 4-0-0. Motion Passed.**

### **MEMBERSHIP:**

- Donna's term expires April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025. John will reach out to DES to confirm the process to get Donna reappointed.
- The Committee discussed ways to increase membership. John will reach out to contacts in Francetown to see if they have any recommendations for members. Andy suggested creating a social media post to generate interest in the Committee. The Committee discussed where a social media post would be placed. Andy will draft a post and share it with the group for the next meeting.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be **Tuesday, March 18, 2025**, 5:30 pm at the Weare Public Library.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**7:30 pm Andy made a motion to adjourn. Donna seconded the motion.**

**VOTE: 4-0-0. Motion Passed.**

Respectfully submitted, Andrew Cadorette, Clerk