

## **PISCATAQUOG RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

### **AGENDA**

Meeting #316

Tuesday, November 19, 2024, 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:
  - October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Meeting #315
- 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
  - Election of Officers
- Membership
- Confirm next meeting date, Meeting #317 – Tuesday, December 17, 2024, 5:30 pm at the Weare Public Library.
- Adjournment

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

**Meeting #315**

**October 15, 2024**

**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: Victor Holhozinskyj

**Call to Order**

Jane called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm.

**08/20/24 MEETING MINUTES:**

No meeting was held in September.

**Donna made a motion to approve the August 20, 2024, minutes. Motion was seconded by Keith.**

**VOTE: 5-0-0. Motion Passed.**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

**PERMIT APPLICATION REVIEWS**

- Shoreland Permit Application (RSA 483-B) NHDES File Number: 2024-01922.  
Subject Property: 27 Shirley Park Road, Goffstown, Tax Map #35, Lot #12.  
Construct a 24x36 (846 sq. ft.) post & beam frame garage on a concrete slab. West side of property 70 ft. away from existing house and 100+ feet away from water's edge. No additional disturbance to property or vegetation. [drreinfort@live.com](mailto:drreinfort@live.com);

[brandy.l.holmes@des.nh.gov](mailto:brandy.l.holmes@des.nh.gov); [Craig.W.Day@des.nh.gov](mailto:Craig.W.Day@des.nh.gov);  
[Melissa.F.Rusinski@des.nh.gov](mailto:Melissa.F.Rusinski@des.nh.gov).

**PRLAC Comments:**

- The Committee noted that it appears that the existing gravel driveway is not being included with the post -construction impervious area calculations.
- The Committee also makes the following recommendation
  - Given proximity to the river, the Committee recommends that if property owners choose to fertilize, that 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 use only native species, and any reclamation should avoid bio-solid based products.
- Shoreland Permit Application (RSA 483-B) NHDES File Number: 2024-03062. Subject Property: 180 Elm Street, Goffstown, Tax Map #36, Lot #78. Remove the old walkway to the dock and replace it with stone and gravel.  
[Rebecca.turnley@aol.com](mailto:Rebecca.turnley@aol.com); [Rosemary.E.Aures@des.nh.gov](mailto:Rosemary.E.Aures@des.nh.gov);  
[Melissa.F.Rusinski@des.nh.gov](mailto:Melissa.F.Rusinski@des.nh.gov).

**PRLAC Comments:**

- **The Committee recommends that DES update the Shoreland Permit Application – Section 11 “This project is *not* within one-quarter mile of a designated river.” To language that would be more inclusive, as some may not realize that Glenn Lake is part of the Piscataquog River, which is a designated river.**
- The Committee discussed the permit application received from the applicant, its completeness and how it was received. The committee recommends the Chair, when notified of a permit application, reach out to all interested parties to inform them as to the requirement to send the PRLAC a complete application by mail, as per Env-Wq 1406.13.
- No design plan was provided, so the Committee is unable to determine the distance between the improvements and the shoreline.
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**OLD BUSINESS:**

- South Branch, New Boston - illegal stream impoundment.  
Donna commented that there appears to be a beaver dam being constructed in the location of the illegal stream impound.

- Piscataquog River Management Plan (PRMP).
  - Jane reported that SNHPC submitted the 604 (b) letter of intent to DES on September 13<sup>th</sup>.
  - Donna reported that she met with the town of New Boston to review the current management plan and how it overlapped with the Town's policies and ordinances. Donna was happy to report that most of the goals in the Management Plan aligned with existing town requirements.

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>.
- Bass Island, Manchester  
Jane commented on the report provided by the City of Manchester on the improvements completed at Bass Island. The Committee thanks the city for provide the comprehensive report and looks forward to being involved with any future improvements to the park. will reach out to the city for an overview of the work completed at Bass Island Park. Jane also reached out to the Manchester Police Department to make them aware of activity happening at the park.
  - Piscataquog River Dams.  
Andy reported that the Goffstown River Advisory Committee is holding their second meeting on October 16<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Cork Clark, Chief Engineer for NH DES will be providing the Committee an overview of DES and the concerns about the three dams along the Piscataquog River in Goffstown.

**See: video recording of the October 16<sup>th</sup> Goffstown River Advisory Committee meeting.**

- Goffstown Pedestrian Bridge (Goffstown Rail trail).  
The Goffstown Pedestrian Bridge Committee continued to work on applying for the NHDOT Transportation Alternative Program Grant (TAP). The PRLAC may be asked for a letter of support for the project.
- The Friends of the Piscataquog River Park.  
No updates
- Brennan Brook Dam  
John updated the Committee on the Brennan Brook Dam removal in Francestown.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Election of Officers: Per the Committee's By Laws officers shall be elected annually in September of each year.

**Donna made a motion to elect Jane as Chair, John as Vice Chair and Andy as Clerk. The motion was seconded by Keith.**

**VOTE: 5-0-0. Motion Passed.**

**MEMBERSHIP:** Nothing to report

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be on the **Tuesday, November 19, 2024**, 5:30 pm at the Weare Public Library.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**7:00 pm John made a motion to adjourn. Donna seconded the motion.**

**VOTE: 5-0-0. Motion Passed.**

Respectfully submitted, Andrew Cadorette, Clerk