

PISCATAQUOG RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PRLAC)

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Meeting #323

May 20, 2025

MINUTES

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

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| • Chair Jane Beaulieu, Manchester (Term exp. 08/30/26) | <input type="checkbox"/> ✓present |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> absent |
| • Vice Chair John Magee, Community-at-large member (Term exp. 02/22/27) | <input type="checkbox"/> ✓present |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> absent |
| • Clerk Andrew Cadorette, Goffstown (Term exp. 05/29/27) | <input type="checkbox"/> ✓present |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> absent |
| • Keith Erf, Weare (Term exp. 01/27/26) | <input type="checkbox"/> present |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> ✓absent |
| • Donna Mombourquette, New Boston (Term exp. 04/08/28) | <input type="checkbox"/> present |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> ✓absent |
| • Gary Samuels, Deering (Term exp. 10/31/26) | <input type="checkbox"/> ✓present |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> absent |

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Guest: None

Call to Order

Jane called the meeting to order at 5:46 pm.

April 15, 2025, MEETING MINUTES

Gary made a motion to approve the April 15, 2025, minutes. Motion was seconded by John. VOTE: 3-0-1. Motion Passed.

CORRESPONDENCE

- The Committee discussed the upcoming New Hampshire Rivers Council 2025 Annual Meeting and encouraged all members to attend. The meeting will be held Tuesday, June 17, 2025 at 6:30 PM at the New Hampshire Rivers Council HQ at the Conservation Center, 54 Portsmouth Street, Concord, NH. **Register at <https://nhrivers.org>**
- **Alteration of Terrain (AoT) Bureau Permit Application (RSA 485 – A:17); NHDES Permit AoT File Number: 250321-051; Project Name: Proposed Residential Dwelling. Owner: Joseph Mullaney. Subject Property: New Boston Road, Goffstown; Tax Map #4, Lot #63-1. jodymullaney@comcast.net; ssimon@gpinet.com.**

The Committee reviewed additional correspondence received from the applicant relative to our comments. No additional comments.

PERMIT APPLICATION REVIEWS

- Registration for Routine Roadway Maintenance Activities RR-1: Culvert Replacement or Repair. Goffstown, Route 114.

PRLAC Comments: The Committee had no comments.

- [Standard Dredge and Fill Wetlands Permit Application \(RSA 482-A\) NHDES File Number: 2025-01113](#). Applicant: Timothy Carl Mason and Donna Lee Mason Living Trust. Subject Property: Moose Club Park Road, Goffstown, Tax Map/Block/Lot(s): 18/no block/54. Replacing failing retaining wall, and installing 4'x24' seasonal dock with gangway.

PRLAC Comments: The Committee had previously review this application at our [Feb 20, 2024 meeting](#) (2024-00253) and submits the same comments with on addition

- o Exercise utmost care when installing and maintaining erosion control and cofferdam devices to prevent any silt or turbidity from entering or affecting the river.
- o Ensure best use management practices are followed due to existence of Japanese Knotweed. As such, the Committee recommends the applicant not dig up Japanese Knotweed as this is one of the most common ways the invasive plant is spread. For reference see: <https://www.agriculture.nh.gov/publicationsforms/documents/japanese-knotweed-bmps.pdf>
- o Recommend the use of wildlife friendly erosion control fabric and materials.
- o Reclamation seeding and plantings should use only native species and any reclamation should avoid bio-solid based products.
- o 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.
- o Within the area of native vegetation, vegetation shall be allowed to grow without cutting, limbing, trimming, pruning, mowing, or similar activities and only allow those as needed for renewal or to maintain/improve plant health.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Piscataquog River Management Plan (PRMP).**
No updates. For reference see:
 - o Piscataquog River Management Plan:
<https://www4.des.state.nh.us/blogs/rivers/wp-content/uploads/2010-Piscataquog-River-Mnmt-Plan-Update.pdf>
 - o Other LAC management plans:
<https://www.des.nh.gov/water/rivers-and-lakes/rivers-management-and-protection>
 - o Local River Management Advisory Committee Website:
<https://www.lac.des.nh.gov>.
- **Piscataquog River Dams.**
No updates.
- **Goffstown Pedestrian Bridge (Goffstown Rail Trail).**

Andy updated the Committee on the Town of Goffstown's Transportation Alternative Program Grant (TAP). Three applicants presented to SNHPC. The Town should be notified about the application status in June.

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

No updates

- **Bass Island, Manchester**

The Committee will not be hosting a Bass Island clean up. Jane has met with the Manchester Parks and Rec and Conservation Committee to update them on the activities of the Committee and to discuss continuing issues along the Piscataquog River near Bass Island. Jane has also reached out to the Manchester Economic Development team and encouraged them to include the PRLAC on any future opportunities that may come up along the river.

- **PRLAC Website**

The Committee reviewed the PRLAC website and provided feedback (www.PiscataquogRiver.org). Andy will confirm with Tracy that there are no NHDES concerns. The Committee is encouraged to use the website as a resource for all future meetings.

NEW BUSINESS

Andy requested that monthly meetings be moved to the fourth Tuesday of each month as he has a conflict. The Committee agreed to move the meeting to the fourth Tuesday of each month pending no conflict with the Weare Public Library.

MEMBERSHIP

No updates

NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be **Tuesday, June 24, 2025**, 5:30 pm at the Weare Public Library.

ADJOURNMENT

7:25 pm Andy made a motion to adjourn. Jane seconded the motion.

VOTE: 4-0-0. Motion Passed.

Respectfully submitted, Andrew Cadorette, Clerk