

PISCATAQUOG RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PRLAC)

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Meeting #324

June 24, 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 |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> present |
| • Donna Mombourquette, New Boston (Term exp. 04/08/28) | <input type="checkbox"/> ✓absent |
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| • 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 5:35 pm.

May 20, 2025, MEETING MINUTES

Andy made a motion to approve the May 20, 2025, minutes. Motion was seconded by Gary. VOTE: 3-0-1. Motion Passed.

CORRESPONDENCE

- The Committee received a request from the Goffstown Village Water Precinct (<https://goffstownvillageprecinct.com>) seeking a letter of support for their grant application to the 2025 Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund (DWGTF) Source Water Protection Grant. The purpose of the grant is to purchase land in Goffstown along the Piscataquog River that sits atop a high-quality aquifer. The Precinct aims to acquire this land to help ensure a continued supply of high-quality drinking water for the village of Goffstown.

The Goffstown Village Water Precinct was incorporated as a village district in 1890 under a charter from the State of New Hampshire. Its governing board is elected by Precinct subscribers and presents its annual budget at a public meeting.

The deadline to submit the letter of support was June 20th. Andy asked the Committee to retroactively vote to authorize submission of the letter on behalf of the Committee. He also shared the submitted Letter of Support with the group.

Andy made a motion to retroactively support the Goffstown Village Water Precinct's application to the 2025 DWGTF Source Water Protection Grant and to approve the letter of support as written. The motion was seconded by Keith.

VOTE: 4-0-0. Motion passed.

PERMIT APPLICATION REVIEWS

- **Shoreland Permit Application (RSA 483-B) NHDES File Number: 2025-01501.**
Applicant: Benjamin Bauer. Subject Property: 606 Cellar Hole Road, Deering, NH.
Tax Map/Block/Lot(s): 235/no block/24. Demolish and replace the existing residence.
bbauer360@gmail.com. m@bluttarchitecture.com. CRAIG.W.DAY@DES.NH.GOV.

PRLAC Comments:

- o The Committee noted that the location of the septic system was unclear on both the existing and modified site plans. It is assumed that the system will be installed in the area labeled "approximate location of effluent disposal system." The Committee expects the applicant to install a state-licensed, professionally designed septic system to ensure proper design and installation that protects public health and the environment.
- 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:

- **New Hampshire Rivers Council 2025 Annual Meeting.** Andy attended the NHRC Annual Meeting with his daughter on Tuesday, June 17, 2025 at 6:30 PM. It was a well attended and informative meeting. Cory Clark, Chief Dam Engineer from NH DES presented on State owned dams. <https://nhrivers.org>
- **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-protectio>.
 - o Local River Management Advisory Committee Website:
<https://www.lac.des.nh.gov>.
- **Piscataquog River Dams.**
No updates.
- **Goffstown Pedestrian Bridge (Goffstown Rail Trail).**
No updates
- **The Friends of the Piscataquog River Park.**

No updates

- **Bass Island, Manchester**

No updates

- **PRLAC Website**

The Committee is very happy with the new website. The website is effective as a tool to organize the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

None

MEMBERSHIP

Committee members have engaged with potential members in both Weare and Goffstown.

NEXT MEETING

If the Committee does not receive any permit applications in July, the July meeting will not be held.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is to be **Tuesday, August 26, 2025**, 5:30 pm at the Weare Public Library.

ADJOURNMENT

6:15 pm Keith made a motion to adjourn. Gary seconded the motion.

VOTE: 4-0-0. Motion Passed.

Respectfully submitted, Andrew Cadorette, Clerk