

PISCATAQUOG RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PRLAC)
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Meeting #327
November 25, 2025
MINUTES

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

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

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Guest: Cameron Prolman, Senior Planner, Southern NH Planning Commission

Call to Order

Jane called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

October 28, 2025, MEETING MINUTES

Jane made a motion to approve the October 28, 2025, minutes. Motion was seconded by Gary. VOTE: 6-0-0. Motion Passed.

John is working on drafting a letter to DES to express our concerns with not receiving complete permit application in a timely way.

CORRESPONDENCE

- None

PERMIT APPLICATION REVIEWS

- None

OLD BUSINESS:

- **NH DES Hadley Falls Dam Removal ARM Grant Application**
Tracie Sales, Rivers and Lakes Programs Administrator at NH DES, confirmed that the ARM grant funds cannot be used for community improvements.
- **Piscataquog River Management Plan (PRMP)**

Cameron provided the Committee with an update on the RFQ process. SNHPC took significant steps to ensure the RFQ was properly posted. This included emailing their full contact list, posting on their website and other relevant sites, and running two notices in the *Union Leader*. Four inquiries were received during the open RFQ period. Ultimately, two applicants submitted complete RFQ responses: GZA and FBE. The Committee discussed the merits of each firm.

John made a motion to recommend that SNHPC be authorized to move forward with FBE by seeking a tax-based cost proposal. If FBE is unable to provide SNHPC with a satisfactory proposal, the Committee authorizes SNHPC to reach out to GZA. The motion was seconded by Gary. VOTE: 6-0-0. Motion Passed.

- **Goffstown River Advisory Committee**
No updates
- **Goffstown Pedestrian Bridge (Goffstown Rail Trail)**.
No updates
- **The Friends of the Piscataquog River Park**.
No updates
- **Bass Island, Manchester**
Jane is in touch with the City of Manchester about next steps on the Bass Island issue. The Committee again discussed their concern about next steps at Bass Island.

John made a motion to draft a letter to Phil Trowbridge, Land Resource Management Program Manager at NH DES, to inquire as to what the next steps are for Bass Island given the failed erosion improvements and concern of additional erosion. Motion was seconded by Keith. VOTE: 6-0-0. Motion Passed.

- **PRLAC Website**
No Updates

NEW BUSINESS

Eversource Tree Cutting – Route 13, New Boston

Donna provided the Committee with an update on the tree cutting occurring along Route 13 in New Boston. This issue was brought to the PRLAC's attention by a community member through the Committee's website.

The tree cutting is connected to Eversource's plan to install new utility poles along Route 13 in support of a proposed two-home development in New Boston. Donna has been in contact with both the Town of New Boston and Eversource. Eversource reported that they received permission from NHDOT to remove trees along the roadway. However, it is unclear whether a Shoreland Permit is required to cut trees within 50 feet of the river. The Committee discussed potential alternatives that Eversource could consider to minimize impacts to the shoreline.

Gary made a motion for PRLAC to write to NH DES requesting that DES inform both Eversource and PRLAC whether a Shoreland Permit is required for the tree

cutting along Route 13, given its proximity to a designated river. The motion was seconded by Jane. Vote: 6-0-0. Motion passed.

Donna will confirm the appropriate contact at Eversource and provide the information to John for inclusion in his letter to DES.

MEMBERSHIP

- Keith's term expires on January 27, 2026. Keith has agreed to continue serving on the Committee. Andy will share the Committee Nominee Form with Keith.
- Per the [**Piscataquog River Local Advisory Committee By Laws**](#), Adopted November 3, 1994, Amended February 6, 1997, the Committee is required to vote on a slate of officers annually in September.

Keith made a motion to to elect the following slate of officers:

- John Magee, Chair
- Jane Beaulieu, Vice Chair
- Andrew Cadorette, Clerk

The motion was seconded by Gary. VOTE: 6-0-0. Motion Passed.

NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting is to be Tuesday, December 23, 2025, 5:30 pm at the Weare Public Library.

ADJOURNMENT

Donna left the meeting at 6:25

6:37 pm Keith made a motion to adjourn. Gary seconded the motion.

VOTE: 5-0-0. Motion Passed.

Respectfully submitted, Andrew Cadorette, Clerk