

PISCATAQUOG RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PRLAC)
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Meeting #331
March 24, 2026
MINUTES

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

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

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

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

Call to Order

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

February 24, 2026 MEETING MINUTES

Donna made a motion to approve the February 24, 2026 minutes. Motion was seconded by John. VOTE: 5-0-0. Motion Passed.

CORRESPONDENCE

John received a request from NH DES, Rivers and Lakes Management and Protection Programs for us to review and comment on their draft Permit Application Review Guidance Document. John offered to review the 57-page document and provide feedback on behalf of the committee.

PERMIT APPLICATION REVIEWS

Shoreland Permit Application (RSA 483-B) NHDES File Number: 2026-00326.
Subject Property: 92 Lyndeborough Road, New Boston, Tax Map: 10/no block/69.
Reconstruction of a single family home, install a new septic system.

The Piscataquog River Local Advisory Committee (PRLAC) reviewed the subject Shoreland Permit Application and provide the following comments:

1. Mr. Peter McTague from Sanford Surveying and Engineering, the applicant's agent, in response to the RFMI, contacted Chair Magee via email and sent the complete application as a pdf, which was shared with the PRLAC and reviewed.
2. Chair Magee submitted a Right to Know Request on March 21, 2026 to NHDES to obtain the 2019 application. NHDES responded on March 25, 2026 and stated that the file may be viewed in person at the NHDES offices.
3. Mr. Peter McTague kindly sent the 2019 application and plans to Chair Magee.
4. The 2019 and 2026 plans for the house and septic system appear identical, so there is no apparent change in their location, but both are proposed to be slightly larger.
5. Limit the clearing of trees and other vegetation as much as possible on and near the steep riverbank.
6. Given proximity to the River, the Committee recommends that if property owners choose to fertilize, they only use low- or no-phosphorous slow-release organic fertilizer.
7. There are known populations of several species of snakes, including one threatened and one endangered species, in the area. Recommend the use of wildlife friendly erosion control fabric and materials.
8. Recommend following the recommendations of the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department's Nongame Program.
9. Reclamation seeding and plantings should only use native species, and any reclamation should avoid bio-solid based products.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Piscataquog River Management Plan (PRMP)**
Cameron from SNHPC provided the Committee with a status update on the PRMP project. SNHPC expects to sign a contract with the vendor updating the management plan next week. Once the contract is signed SNHPC will share it with the Committee. The project must be completed by September 2027. John will reach out to all the towns in the watershed to update them on the progress of the management plan re-write. And suggested also providing them with a copy of our Annual Report during this communication. Next meeting we will have a detailed timeline with expectations of the Committee.
- **Goffstown River Advisory Committee**
The GRAC continues to work with NH DES Dam Bureau on the removal of the Hadley Falls Dam. The next meeting is Wednesday, April 15th at 6pm at the Goffstown town hall.
- **Goffstown Pedestrian Bridge (Goffstown Rail Trail).**
The Goffstown Pedestrian Bridge Committee is working with the Goffstown Select Board to update the Committees Chart, which expires June 2026.
- **The Friends of the Piscataquog River Park.**
No updates
- **Bass Island, Manchester**
Shoreland Permit NHDES File Number: 2024-00512. NHDES responded to the Committee's inquiry on failed erosion control work completed on the upstream end of Bass Island in 2024. NH DES suggested that the existing permit may be able to be amended to correct the issue. DES suggested that the Committee work with the City to facilitate a path forward to stabilizing the impacted area.

- **PRLAC Website**
No Updates

NEW BUSINESS

Donna updated the Committee on New Boston's plan to replace two road bridges crossing the Piscataquog in New Boston (Gregg Mills Bridge and Tucker Mill Bridge). Hoyle Tanner, the contractor on both projects, has offered to attend our April meeting to provide a review of the projects. As part of this project, a temporary bridge will also be installed.

MEMBERSHIP

John reminded members to be aware of when their term expires.

NEXT MEETING

The PRLAC's April meeting is being moved to **Tuesday, April 21st**, the third Tuesday of the month, to accommodate a request from the Weare Public Library.

ADJOURNMENT

John adjourned the meeting at 7:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Cadorette, Clerk