

**MEETING**  
**Tilton Conservation Commission**  
**Tilton Town Hall**  
**August 21, 2023**  
**MINUTES**

Present: Chuck Mitchell, Bob Hardy, Jim Cropsey, Ken Norton, Jon Scanlon, and Kathi Mitchell

The meeting of the Tilton Conservation Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**1. The Preserve** – The presentation by the applicant will be delayed until a later date.

**2. Minutes:** Jim made a **motion**, seconded by Bob, to accept the July minutes as presented.  
All voted in favor.

**3. Old Business:**

**a) Salmon Run** - The August 6 accident, which damaged fifty feet of fence, destroyed a wooden sign, and left an oil spill, was reviewed. There was a discussion about how the sign will be replicated and replaced. Members will seek bids from various sources for a replacement.

The person hired to weed at Salmon Run recently spent some time at the site. More work needs to be done.

The signs from the State Prison regarding overnight parking have been received. The portrait sign will be placed on the left-hand side as you enter the parking lot. The landscape sign will be placed in the middle of the parking lot behind a boulder.

**b) WRTA** – Erosion has occurred on the trail near the gate. Water will need to be redirected to keep this from being a continuing problem. A culvert or erosion control sock may be an option.

The annual Taste of the Trail fundraiser will be held on October 12 from 5-8 at the Franklin Elks Lodge.

**3. New Business:** There was none.

**4. Correspondence:**

a) NH DES Forestry notification File # 2023-1322 PbN James Cropsey Notification Complete

b) NH DES File #2023-1894 Winnisquam Resort Condo Assoc. 22 Contigiani Drive – Shoreland  
PbN accepted

c) NH DES File # 2023-1895 Winnisquam Resort Condo Assoc. 22 Contigiani Drive – Standard  
Dredge and Fill – under technical review

d) Email response from Mrs. Forrester regarding the erosion concerns at the Tilton Island

e) NH DES File # 2023-00801 Watermark Marine Construction for Winnisquam Landing Property  
1003 Laconia Road – more information provided

f) NH DES Air Resources Division permit to operate 3 boilers at 30 School Street

**5. Other:**

- a) Concern was expressed about the apparent filling in of a detention pond and the lack of an oil-water separator at the West Main Street location where multiple bays are being rented for a variety of businesses. There is a concern that contaminants may be entering the wetland buffer and that there may be leaking barrels onsite. The Town of Tilton requires a twenty-foot wetland buffer. The 2004 approval for the site included having a detention pond and an oil-water separator as conditions for approval. There is also a concern about the number of vehicles being placed on site and close to the buffer. A sitewalk by the Planning Board showed a film of oil on the wetland as well as a lack of the required detention pond and protection of the wetland and buffer from contaminants.
- b) The commissioners discussed ways to encourage more people to fish at Salmon Run. The no-parking signs along Laconia Road may be a deterrent. It is also time to cut some brush along the river to improve visibility.

Bob made a **motion** to adjourn, seconded by Ken at 8:40 p.m. All were in agreement.

Respectfully submitted by Kathi Mitchell