

Dated: March 1, 2021

To: Durham Town Council

Cc: Todd Selig, April Talon, Durham Historic District Commission/Heritage Commission, Durham Conservation Commission, Jennie Berry

**Durham Town Council Public Comments**

My name is David Strong, 9 Tall Pines Road in Durham

The Executive Board of the Durham Historic Association met this afternoon and has directed me, as President, to read the following statement:

The Durham Historic Association asks that the Durham Town Council postpone any decision on the Mill Pond dam, until it can obtain and fully evaluate the following:

1. Daily seasonal stream flow data of the Oyster River for the past 10 years
2. Mill Pond water quality improvement options; and
3. Reclassification of the dam from “Low Hazard” to “Non-Menace”

The Board believes Durham’s historic dam landscape is at stake, and is worth further analysis of the Oyster River watershed and various solutions for the dam and Mill Pond.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

David Strong  
President, Durham Historic Association