

# TOWN OF DURHAM

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The public is welcome to attend in Council Chambers or via Zoom remotely.

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# **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

March 27, 2023 Town Council Chambers - 8 Newmarket Road 7:00 PM AGENDA Dwight Trueblood, alternate
----Michael Behrendt, Town
Planner
Sara Callaghan, Land
Stewardship Coordinator

Lucie Bryar, Minute Taker

Commission Members

James Bubar, Planning

Jake Kritzer, *Chair*John Nachilly, *Vice Chair* 

Board Rep.

Carden Welsh, Town

Council Rep.

Nick Lanzer, alternate

Erin Hardie Hale Roanne Robbins Neil Slepian

- I. Call to Order
- II. Land Acknowledgment Statement
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Approval of Agenda
- V. Public Comments
- VI. <u>Indigenous Foraging Rights</u>. Discussion about draft proposal to allow foraging by indigenous groups on public land. <u>7:15 to 7:40 pm</u>
- VII. <u>Land Stewardship Update</u>. Sara Callaghan, Land Stewardship Coordinator. <u>7:40 to 7:55 pm</u>
- VIII. <u>WCOD and SPOD</u>. Discussion about the criteria for a conditional use in the Wetland Conservation Overlay District (WCOD) and Shoreland Protection Overlay District (SPOD) and possible proposal for zoning amendment. <u>7:55 to 8:30 pm</u>
- IX. **PREPA Grant**. Discussion about Piscataqua Region Environmental Program Assessment Grant to protect natural resources and water quality. 8:30 to 8:50 pm
- X. <u>Education Program</u>. Discussion about potential conservation education programs for 2023. <u>8:50 to 9:15 pm</u>
- XI. Review of Minutes: January 30 and February 27, 2023. 9:15 to 9:20 pm
- XII. Other Business:
- XIII. Roundtable. Updates from Conservation Commission members.
- XIV. Adjournment (by 9:30 unless extended by the commission)

<sup>\*</sup>Note that the times listed after each item above are rough estimates only.

#### **PUBLIC INPUT**

Members of the public may provide input on any matter before the commission in one of two ways:

- 1) <u>Email</u>. Send an email to Michael Behrendt, Town Planner, at <u>mbehrendt@ci.durham.nh.us</u> by 12:00 noon on the day of the meeting (You can also mail, drop off, or fax a letter); or
- 2) Speak at the meeting. The public is welcome to speak about any specific agenda item when that item comes up on the agenda and about any other appropriate subject during Public Comments time. You can attend in person or participate via Zoom (See instructions below).

### **ZOOM – INSTRUCTIONS FOR ZOOM VIDEO CALL-IN AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Everybody will need to register in order to participate via Zoom. Project applicants should present in person or via video (and make sure that they are visible).

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#### **IMPORTANT!**

- 1. Please be sure your full name is viewable, and you are identifiable when using Zoom.
- 2. Your video will be turned off and audio muted until the Public portion of the meeting opens.
- 3. If watching on Channel 22 or DCAT LiveStream be sure your computer/TV audio is muted when using Zoom.

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# **OTHER INFORMATION**

<u>Additional information</u>. Information on the items above are available for review on the Town website at www.ci.durham.nh.us.

<u>Contacting us</u>. Please contact Michael Behrendt, Durham Town Planner, with questions or comments at (603) 868-8064 or <u>mbehrendt@ci.durham.nh.us</u>.

<u>Communication aids</u>. Please provide the Town 48-hours notice if special communication aids are needed.

Next meeting. The next Conservation Commission meeting will be Monday, April 24.