

# **HILLSBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**June 9, 2026**

## **Approved Minutes**

**Hillsborough Town Offices, School St.**

Chair Richard Head called the Hillsborough Conservation Commission (HCC) meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Members present: Chair Richard Head, Vice chair James McDonough, Jim Riddle, Terry Yeaton, Linda White, Roger Shamel, Jim Narloch, Doug Lischke (Alternate).

Staff: John P. Segedy, Recording Secretary & Alternate.

Public: Jack Blevens, Intern; Conor Madison, GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc.; Ashley Nicoletti, Eversource.

### **VISITOR BUSINESS**

a. Conor Madison addressed the HCC on behalf of Eversource. He explained they were seeking a wetlands permit from DES for work at the Jackman Substation. They were approaching the HCC for an approval signature to apply for expedited review. He then explained that there were two phases of the project. The first was to expand their grounding grid which will entail 10 square feet of permanent wetland impact (fill) and 400 square feet of temporary wetland impact. Phase Two is installing a new transformer which will temporarily impact 100 square feet of wetland through the installation of matting during construction. He answered a few questions from the Commission.

**James McDonough moved: *To authorize Chair Head to sign the application allowing expedited review.***

**Roger Shamel seconded. Motion passed 7-0.**

### **MINUTES**

a. **May 26, 2026**

**Jim Riddle moved: *To approve the minutes of May 26, 2026.***

**Roger Shamel seconded. Motion passed 6-0-1 (James McDonough abstained).**

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

a. **NHPDIP (NH Public Deposit Investment Pool)** – Balance \$280,805.71.

b. **Premier Printing** – Bills for printing maps. One was previously approved for payment and was submitted. The other one had been paid already by Jim Riddle who was reimbursed. He will look for his receipt and John Segedy will follow up on it.

c. **Ecological Land Management and Stewardship LLC** – Letter outlining services they provide.

d. **Scott Christensen** – Intent to Cut. West Main St. (M 11P, L 183).

e. **Christian Mata** – Intent to Cut. (M 1, L 41).

f. **Town of Hillsborough Planning Board** – Request for Comment for an Application for Lot Line Adjustments, 83 Henniker St (M 24. L 97, 115, 117). Consensus of the Commission was no comment was necessary.

**OLD BUSINESS**

a. **NRI (Natural Resources Inventory)** – Linda White reported that Jeff Littleton and Jack Blevens are in contact exploring whether Jack may be able to assist. She also said that since further no further responses have been received regarding property access that we are not likely to see any more.

b. **Summer Intern Plans** – Jack Blevens reported he had re-walked the Confluence Trail taking notes of public interest points. He noted while the area was wet the trail itself was dry. He thought that the trail it self could use maintenance as he got lots of ticks. (Terry Yeaton noted he has since cut brush on the trail). Jack also noted invasive plants: Barberry & Autumn Olive.

**NEW BUSINESS**

a. **Wetland Ordinance** – Richard Head reported that he had met with the Planning Board earlier in the year regarding the possibility of having a Wetlands Ordinance. At that time he reported “they didn’t say no”. He presented the Commission with a Draft Ordinance which the HCC reviewed. Doug Lischke noted similarities and differences between it and a proposed ordinance that he and the HCC had presented in 2004 which was defeated by the voters. The Commission will discuss this further at a future meeting.

b. **“Bridge-gate”** – James McDonough presented a proposal to replace the orange fence at the old bridge over the North Branch River adjacent to Rte. 202 with a decorative iron fence. He shared a sketch of a possible design. He noted he had spoken to a state person in charge of such things who was in favor of it. He will continue to pursue the project.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Roger Shamel:** *To adjourn.*

**Jim Riddle seconded. Motion passed 7-0 at 8:20 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted:

John P. Segedy  
Recording Secretary  
Approved June 23, 2026