Raymond Conservation Commission Meeting Agenda February 14, 2024

7:00 PM Media Center

Call to order Public Input - 3 min./person, 15 min. total

Agenda Items

01-Route 27 Warehouse-Conservation Area - language02-Town property maps-review03-Tree stand and game camera RSA's review04-Abutter Letter- follow up - Kathy

Finance

05-Conservation Fund Statement - if available

Approval of Minutes

06-January 31st, 2024

Correspondence

07-Planning Board Letter - Miendl Road 08-Planning Board Letter - Autumn Trails

Other items that may come before the board

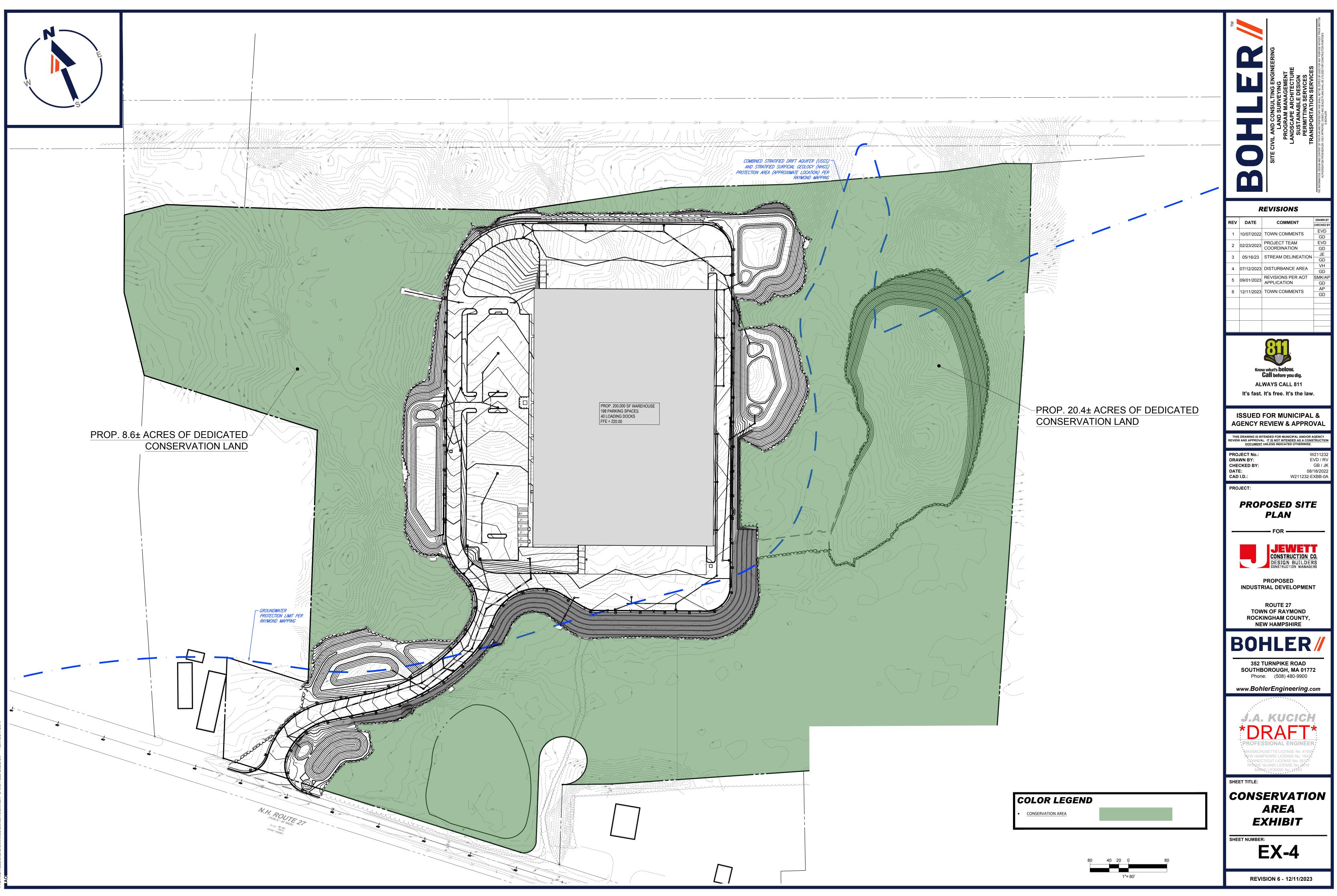
Future Items/Events

February 28th, 2024 - CC Meeting March 13th, 2024 - CC Meeting April 6th, 024 - Saving Special Places

<u>Adjournment</u> (no later than 9:00)

The public is encouraged and welcome to attend. Comments may also be submitted to <u>conscomchair@raymondnh.gov</u>

Supporting documents may be found at the Town of Raymond Website: <u>Conservation Commission supporting documents</u>

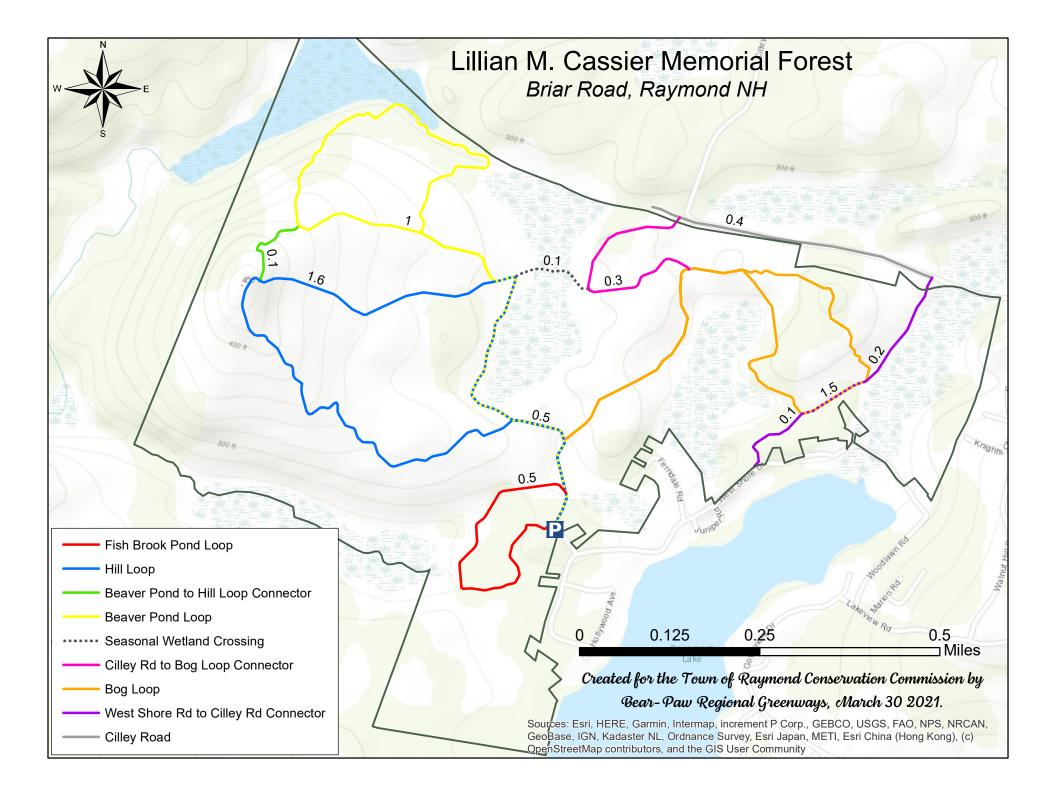


Conservation Restriction Area A – Raymond Pond

There shall be no removal, filling, or other disturbance of soil surfaces including the construction of structures or additional utilities, nor any changes in topography, surface or subsurface water systems, wetlands, or natural habitat of the 75-foot Wetland Buffer; except for wildlife habitat restoration or improvement, routine maintenance such as fallen trees or trail maintenance, or removal of invasive species. Bridges, boardwalks, or drainage improvements are allowed on the trail to minimize or avoid soil erosion or further degradation. The Conservation area and existing foot trail around Raymond Pond to remain open to Raymond residents to use for non-motorized recreational purposes. Signage shall be installed around the Pond to educate residents about the conservation restrictions, and the use of the conservation area will be at the user's own risk. There shall be no changes to the use outlined without permission of the NH Fish & Game, NH DES and the Town of Raymond Planning Board with input from the Raymond Conservation Commission. Allowed uses – Walking, hiking, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, mountain biking on established trails, fishing and hunting according to State of NH Regulations, dogs allowed on leash and waste must be carried out. No Fires or overnight camping, no OHRV's including ATV's and dirt bikes, no cutting of trees, branches or brush, no feeding of wildlife, and no excavation or removal of rocks and minerals. This is a carry-in and carry-out area including dog waste.

Conservation Restriction Area B - Beaver Pond

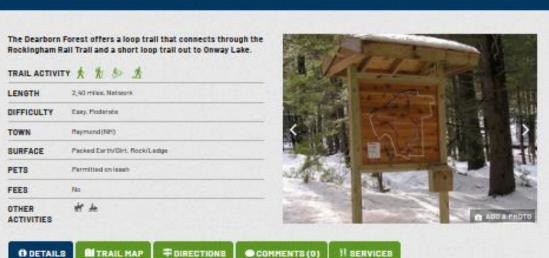
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Dearborn Map on Trailfinder

https://www.trailfinder.info/trails/trail/dearborn-forest

DEARBORN FOREST



O DETAILS IN TRAIL MAP COMMENTS (0) II SERVICES

DESCRIPTION

The Dearborn Forest has two main trails that form a loop by waiking a short distance on the Rockingham Rail Trail, There is one small loop brail that goes out to a viewpoint on Dreey Lake,

The primary traffiend can be reached by waiking down a trail from the end of Jama Road and across a bridge, There is a klock with trail information,

There are 2 main trails that both start at the Jama Drive trailhead and end at the Rockingham Rail Trail, By using a section of the Rockingham Rail Trail, a loop walk of 2.4 miles can be done in about 15-7.0 hours. A integr toop walk may be accomplished by utilizing the Rockingham fail That access on Depot Road in East Candle or the Old Planchester Road in Raymond access,

Cast Trail - 75 miles - The East trail runs from the Jama Drive primery trailhead to the Rockingham Rail Trail and is blazed red. The trail is on fairly level terrain that starts by following the Dreevy Lake shoreline and turns triand up a antal hall. There are a few wet areas that require walking on rocks. There are no bridges or boardwalks over wet areas and streams, There is one additional amail hill before the trail reaches the Rockingtom Rall Trail, The West Trail can be reached by walking west on the Rockinghern Rall Trail towards Candia

Lake Loop - , IS miles - The Lake Loop is accessible from the East Trail and is a short loop to a view of Drawy Lake, Loons and ducks day sometimes been seen from the viewpoint,

West Trail - 1,25 miles - The West trail runs from the Jama Drive primary trailhead to the Rockingham Rail Trail and is blazed yellow, The trail runs on level terrain for a short distance with some walking on rocks. over a wet area, The trail then starts climbing up a moderate hill, it levels off for a short distance and takes a left turn up enother hill, The trail takes a few turns so watch for the yellow blazes, The trail will go downhill before meeting up with the Rockingham Rail Trail, The East Trail can be reached by weiking east on the Rockingham Rail Trail towards Raymond,

Rockingham Rail Trail Loop - , 30 miles - The East and West Trail are connected by the Rockingham Rail Trail to form a loop walk,

OTHER INFORMATION

The Dearborn Forest in Raymond is 335 acres with 3.000 feet of shoreline on Drivey Lake, The property is owned by the Town of Raymond and managed by the Conservation Commission with a conservation assertent held by Bear-Paw Regional Dreenways.

The trails are best suited for for walking, anowshoeing and mountain biking. Snowmobiles are allowed with Sinches of snow, but the trails are not maintained for anownobiling. The East trail is best for anownoblies and cross-country skilling.

TRAIL MANAGER

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NEARBY GEOCACHES



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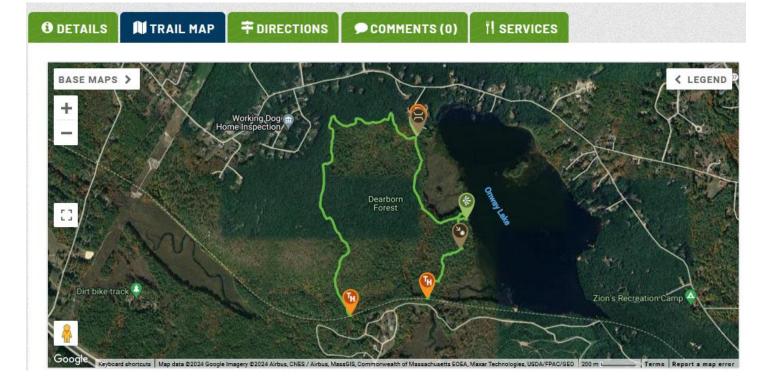
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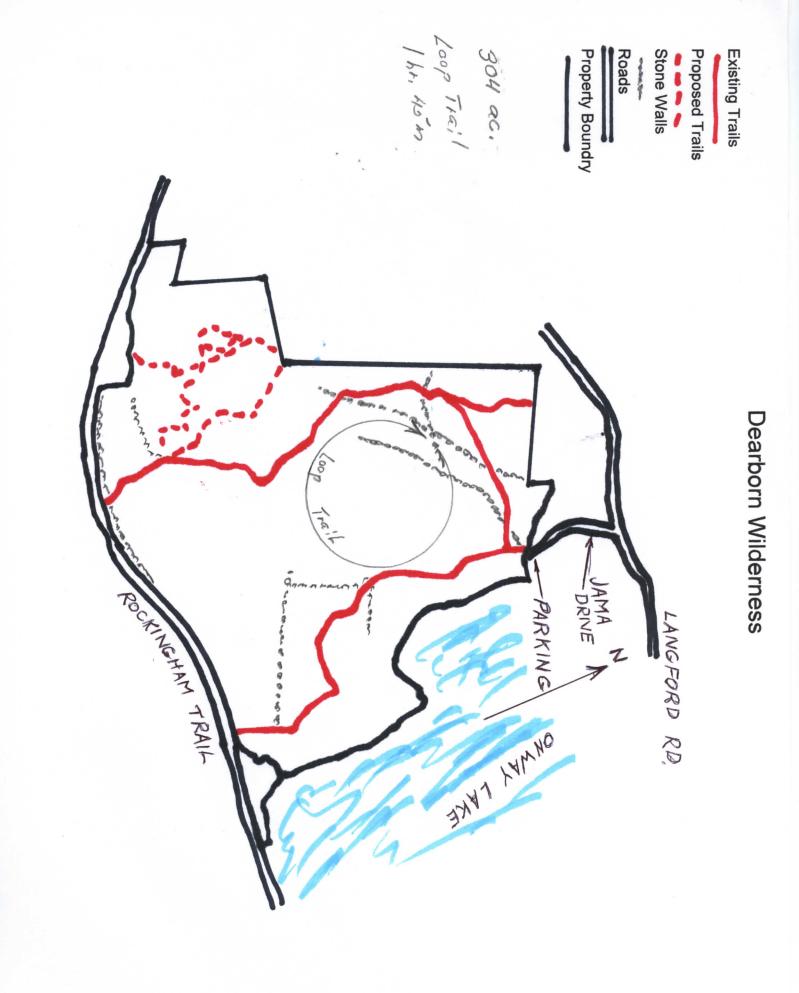
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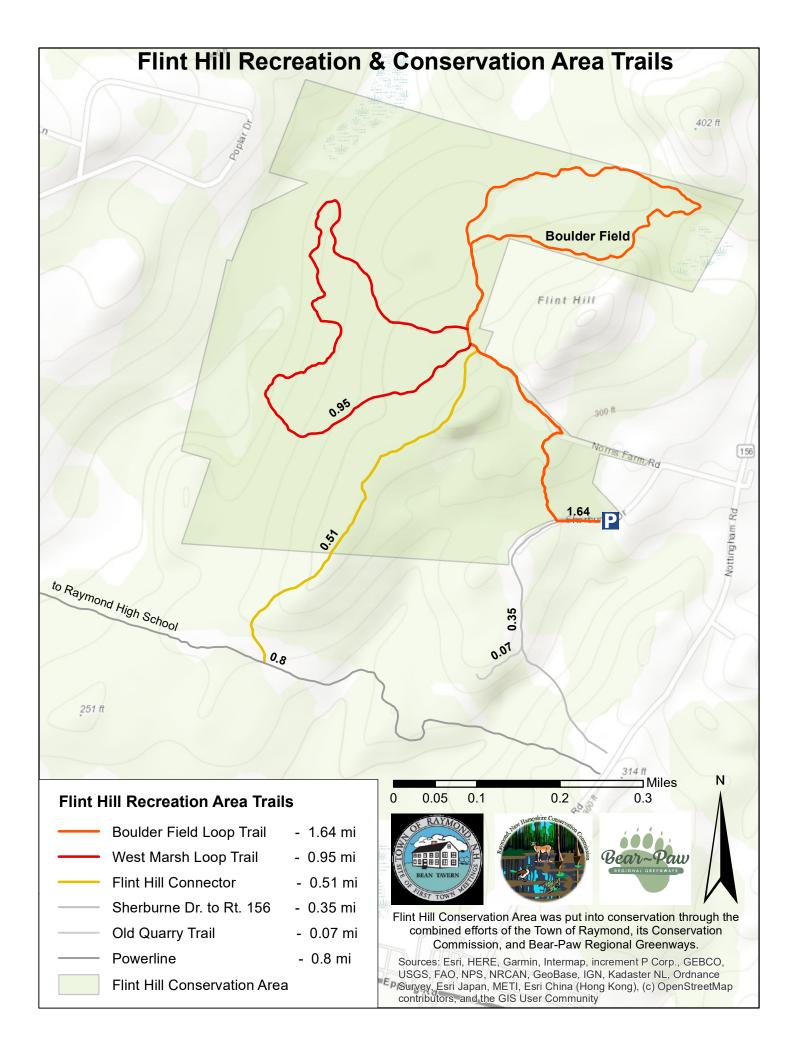
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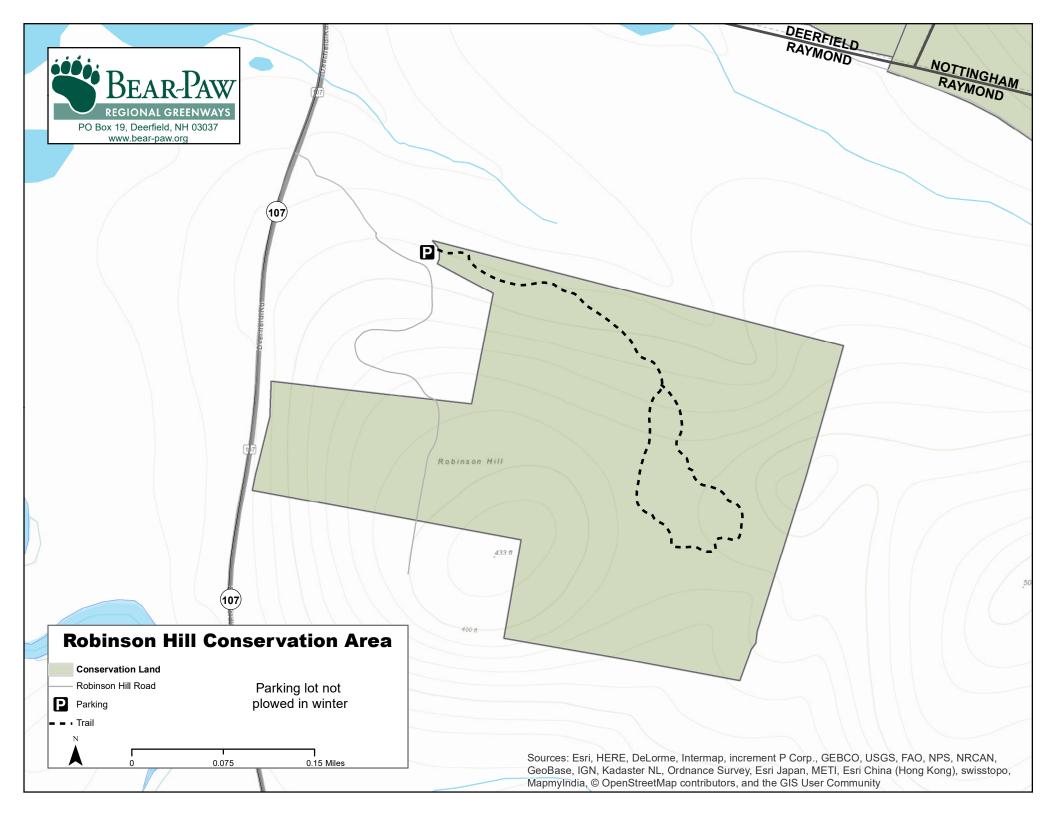
Build an inclusive Outdoors Be an active part of making the outdoors safe and welcoming for all identities and abilities,











Tree Stands and Game Cameras - January 1, 2024

New Hampshire will enforce new laws regarding tree stands and game cameras from January 1, 2024. According to the changes in RSA 207:36-a, all tree stands or observation blinds must display the owner's details. They can be used from April 25 to June 1 and August 1 to December 31. All stands and blinds must be removed by June 1 unless the landowner allows otherwise. Permanent stands or blinds need landowner's permission.

The amendments to RSA 207:1 and RSA 207:63 state that game cameras on private, state, or state-managed lands must also display the owner's details. Cameras can only be placed on private property with the owner's permission or if signs allowing cameras are posted. These signs must be durable, display 'Game Cameras Allowed' in block letters of at least 2 inches, and include the owner's details.

Game cameras on state or municipally owned lands do not require landowner permission. The term 'game camera' refers to any device that can record or transmit photographic or video data. Users cannot hunt any animal seen on the same day through a game camera.

Landowners with queries about game cameras on their property should reach out to local or state law enforcement or Fish and Game Conservation Officers. For questions about tree stands or blinds, contact the local Conservation Officer.

The N.H. Fish and Game Department, responsible for the state's fish, wildlife, and marine resources, has detailed laws about tree stands and game cameras on their website

https://nhfishgame.com/2023/12/27/new-laws-for-tree-stands-and-game-cameras-become-effective-january-1/

TITLE XVIII FISH AND GAME

CHAPTER 207 GENERAL PROVISIONS AS TO FISH AND GAME

Injuring Property or Person

Section 207:36-a

[RSA 207:36-a effective until January 1, 2024; see also RSA 207:36-a set out below.] **207:36-a Use of Tree Stands, Observation Blinds, and Pit Blinds.** –

I. No person shall erect, build or use a tree stand or observation blind on land of another person that damages or destroys a tree by inserting into the tree any metallic, ceramic, or other object used as part of a ladder or observation deck, without express written permission from the property owner or designee.

II. No person shall erect, build or use a pit blind on land of another person without express written permission from the property owner or designee.

III. No person shall cut any tree in connection with any of the activities regulated under this section without the express written permission of the property owner or designee.

IV. The permittee shall carry such permit on his person while in the field and shall be subject to inspection on demand of any conservation officer.

V. All property owner permits shall expire on December 31 of each year unless rescinded by the property owner or designee.

VI. Any person who violates any provision of this section shall be guilty of a violation and shall be liable for the amount of damage caused by the act, to be recovered by the property owner sustaining the damage.

VII. The executive director shall adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A, relative to the form, issuance and filing of property owner permits for the tree stands, observation blinds and pit blinds.

[RSA 207:36-a effective January 1, 2024; see also RSA 207:36-a above.]

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IV. Except for permissions granted by property owners in paragraphs V and VI of this section, the permittee shall carry such permit on his person while in the field and shall be subject to inspection on demand of any conservation officer.

V. No person shall construct a permanent tree stand or observation blind without permission from the property owner or designee.

VI. A portable or temporary tree stand or observation blind that does not violate paragraph I or II may be erected on the land of another from April 25 to June 1 and from August 1 to December 31 of a calendar year. All portable or temporary tree stands or observation blinds shall be removed from the property by June 1, unless allowed by permission from the property owner or designee.

VII. All property owner permits shall expire on December 31 of each year unless rescinded by the property owner or designee.

VIII. All tree stands or observation blinds shall be labeled with the name and contact information of the owner of the tree stand or observation blind in a clearly visible manner.

IX. Any person who violates any provision of this section shall be guilty of a violation and:

(a) Shall be liable for the amount of damage caused by the act, to be recovered by the property owner sustaining the damage; and

(b) Shall be liable for any fine amount levied by the fish and game department, to be recovered by the department.

X. The executive director shall adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A, relative to the form, issuance and filing of property owner permits for the tree stands, observation blinds and pit blinds.

XI. A property owner shall contact a local or state law enforcement officer or conservation officer to remove and seize a permanent, portable, or temporary tree stand or observation blind which was placed, or the owner of which has failed to remove, in violation of this section.

Source. 1991, 144:1, eff. July 19, 1991. 2023, 201:1, eff. Jan. 1, 2024.

RSA 207:1 and RSA 207:63

TITLE XVIII FISH AND GAME

CHAPTER 207 GENERAL PROVISIONS AS TO FISH AND GAME

Definitions, Inclusions, Methods of Taking, Etc.

Section 207:1

207:1 Definitions. -

Words and phrases used in this title shall be construed as follows:

I. Air rifle: A gun operated by compressed air or nonflammable gas cylinder by which a projectile of any size or kind can be discharged or propelled. For use in taking small game, such device shall be not less than .22 caliber and shall deliver not less than 12 foot-pounds of kinetic energy at the muzzle.

I-a. Angling: The taking of fish by line in hand, or rod in hand to which is attached a cast of artificial flies, or an artificial bait, or hooks or other devices for the attachment of bait. A person may have in use not more than 2 such lines at one time. Nothing in this title shall prohibit the use of a rod-holder in a boat.

II. Bag and Creel Limit: The number or weight of any kind of wildlife permitted to be killed in a specified time. II-a. Baiting: The act of placing meat, carrion, honey or any other food or ingestible substance capable of luring or attracting coyote, fur-bearing animals, game birds, or game animals with the exception of gray squirrel.

II-b. Baited Area: An area where meat, carrion, honey or any other food or ingestible substance is placed, capable of luring or attracting coyote, fur-bearing animals, game birds, or game animals with the exception of gray squirrel.

III. [Repealed.]

IV. Closed Season: That period of time during which fish, game, wild or fur-bearing animals or marine species may not be taken or killed, and all periods of time not included within the open season.

IV-a. Commercial Fisherman: Any person who takes, possesses, lands, or transports, on the waters of this state, any marine species by any method for the purposes of sale.

V. Fin Fish: Includes all species and subspecies of fish listed under the definition of fish.

V-a. Firearm: Any weapon, including a starter gun, which will, is designed to, or may readily be converted to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive.

VI. Fish: A member of any of the following classes: Cyclostomata, including, but not limited to, hagfishes and lampreys; elasmobranchii, including, but not limited to, sharks, skates, and rays; and pisces, including, but not limited to, trout, perch, bass, minnows, and catfish; including, any part, product, egg or offspring thereof, or the dead body or parts thereof, excluding fossils.

VII. Fly: A hook dressed with feathers, hair, thread, tinsel or any similar material to which no spinner, spoon or similar device is added.

VIII. Fur-Bearing Animals: Beaver, otter, marten, sable, mink, fisher or fisher cat, raccoon, bobcat, fox, coyote, opossum, weasel, skunk, and muskrat.

IX. Game: Game birds and game animals.

X. Game Animals: Moose, bear, caribou, elk, deer, wild rabbit, hare and gray squirrel.

XI. Game Birds: Ruffed grouse or partridge, spruce grouse, commonly called spruce partridge, pheasant, quail, European partridge, chukar partridge and turkeys.

[Paragraph XI-a effective January 1, 2024.]

XI-a. Game Camera. Any device capable of recording and transmitting photographic or video data, with or without a wire, to a remote device, such as a computer, smartphone, or other viewing device. The term shall also include a device that merely records photographic or video data and stores such data for later use. XII. Guide: Any person who engages for hire, either directly or indirectly, in the business of guiding in this state.

XIII. Guiding: Includes every act whereby a person for hire directs, aids, assists or instructs another person in taking wildlife in this state.

XIII-a. Habitat stronghold: A high-quality habitat that supports the ability of wildlife to be more resilient to increasing pressures on species due to climate change and land development.

XIV. Inclusion of Dates: Whenever a period is named during which an act is permitted or prohibited, both the first and second dates named shall be included within such period.

XIV-a. Loaded: A round or projectile in the chamber fully dischargeable by pulling the trigger.

XV. Marine Species: Includes all fish which usually inhabit salt water, and all shellfish, lobsters, crabs, shrimps, clams, marine worms, other marine invertebrates and marine plants found in the coastal waters and estuarine waters under the jurisdiction of this state as defined in RSA 1:14 and 1:15.

XVI. Migratory Birds: See federal regulations.

XVII. Nonresident: All persons not coming within the definition of resident.

XVIII. Number; Gender: The singular shall include the plural; and the masculine shall include the feminine and neuter.

XVIII-a. OHRV: Off highway recreational vehicle as defined in RSA 215-A:1, VI.

XIX. Open Season: That period of time during which wildlife may be legally taken or killed.

XX. Person: Any individual, partnership, corporation, association, business trust, political subdivision or any other public or private entity.

XXI. Possession: Actual or constructive possession, and any control of things referred to.

XXII. Protected Birds: All wild birds not included within the terms Game Birds and Unprotected Birds.

XXIII. Resident: A resident of the state as defined in RSA 21:6, except that no person shall be deemed to be a resident who claims residence in any other state for any purpose.

XXIII-a. Revoke or Revocation: The recision, cancellation, nullification or invalidation of a license, the ability to acquire a license, or the ability to participate in any of the activities specified in the revocation.

XXIV. Sell and Sale: Includes barter, exchange, and offering or exposing for sale.

XXV. Set Line: Aset linemeans any unattended line which is placed in the freshwaters of the state, including through the ice, for the purpose of taking fish which is not under the direct view and control of the person placing the line.

XXVI. Small Game: Ruffed grouse or partridge, spruce grouse, commonly called spruce partridge, pheasant, quail, European partridge, chukar partridge, wild rabbit and hare, gray squirrel and migratory birds (subject to federal regulations).

XXVI-a. Suspend or Suspension: The temporary discontinuance or cessation for a period of time of a license, the ability to acquire a license or the ability to participate in any of the activities specified in the suspension. XXVII. Take or Taking: Includes pursuing, shooting, hunting, killing, capturing, trapping, snaring, and netting wildlife, and all lesser acts, such as disturbing, harrying, worrying, wounding, or placing, setting, drawing, or using any net or other device commonly used to take wildlife, whether they result in taking or not, and includes every attempt to take and every act of assistance to every other person in taking or attempting to take wildlife, provided that whenever taking is allowed by law, reference is had to taking by lawful means and in lawful manner.

XXVII-a. Taxidermy: The process of preparing, as in but not limited to, preserving, stuffing, and mounting the skins of wildlife for compensation.

XXVIII. Transport and Transportation: All carrying or moving, or causing to be carried or moved. XXIX. Unprotected Birds: English sparrows, European starlings, and the common feral pigeon commonly known as the rock dove, Columba liva, except such birds as are protected by the laws of the federal government.

XXX. When Accompanied: Within sight and hearing, excluding electronic devices, when actual physical

direction and control can be effected.

XXXI. White Deer: All deer which are primarily and predominantly white in color.

XXXII. Whole to Include Part: Every provision relating to wildlife shall apply to a part of such wildlife.

XXXIII. Wild Animals: All animals other than domestic animals.

XXXIV. Wild Birds: All birds other than domestic birds.

XXXV. Wildlife: Refers to all species of mammals, birds, fish, mollusks, crustaceans, amphibians, invertebrates, reptiles or their progeny or eggs which, whether raised in captivity or not, are normally found in a wild state.

XXXVI. Wildlife corridor: A habitat linkage that joins 2 or more areas of wildlife habitat, allowing for fish passage or the movement of wildlife from one area to another.

Source. 1935, 124:1. 1937, 188:3. 1939, 216:1. 1941, 126:2-7. RL 241:1. 1945, 131:1. 1947, 40:1. 1949, 9:1. 1951, 84:1. 1953, 193:2. RSA 207:1. 1955, 277:5. 1959, 24:1; 72:1. 1961, 188:1. 1965, 145:1. 1971, 90:2. 1973, 61:1; 207:1. 1975, 163:1; 340:6-9. 1977, 12:2; 67:2; 111:1; 247:1. 1979, 57:1. 1981, 148:1. 1983, 49:1; 251:1; 254:2; 449:18. 1985, 42:1. 1986, 9:1. 1991, 224:1; 229:1, 2. 1992, 171:1, 2. 1993, 235:2, 3. 1994, 43:1. 1997, 10:1. 2005, 11:1. 2006, 14:1. 2008, 65:1. 2010, 18:1, eff. July 6, 2010. 2018, 77:1, eff. July 1, 2018; 324:4, 5, eff. Aug. 24, 2018. 2019, 243:3, 4, eff. Sept. 10, 2019. 2022, 48:1, eff. July 19, 2022. 2023, 232:6, eff. Jan. 1, 2024.

TITLE XVIII FISH AND GAME

CHAPTER 207 GENERAL PROVISIONS AS TO FISH AND GAME

Game Cameras

Section 207:63

[RSA 207:63 effective January 1, 2024.]

207:63 Game Cameras. -

I. Any person taking or attempting to take a game animal or fur-bearing animal may use a game camera to locate, surveil, aid or assist in any attempt to locate or surveil any game animal or fur-bearing animal, provided that no person shall take a game animal or fur-bearing animal within the same calendar day of remotely viewing any image or video of that animal from a game camera in that area.

II. (a) No person shall place a game camera that records or transmits images or data of any kind while unattended outside on the private property of another without the consent of the property owner or the property owner has posted signage on his or her property allowing the placement of such camera as provided in this section. A game camera placed on state owned or managed lands, or on municipally owned property, shall be exempt from requiring landowner permission.

(b) A property owner may permit the placement of a game camera by posting signs of durable material with any words describing the physical activity permitted, such as "Game Cameras Allowed", printed with block letters no less than 2 inches in height, and with the name and contact information of the property owner. Such signs shall be posted at gates, bars and commonly used entrances. This section shall not prevent any property owner adding to the language required by this section.

(c) Any permission granted by a property owner under this section shall expire on December 31st of each calendar year, unless revoked or extended by the property owner or his or her designee.

III. A person who places a game camera on the private property of another, or on state owned or state managed property, shall label the camera with the name and contact information of the camera owner in a manner visible while mounted.

IV. A property owner shall contact a local or state law enforcement officer or conservation officer to remove and seize a game camera which was placed in violation of this section.

V. This section shall not prohibit:

(a) The lawful use of implanted or attached electronic devices by fish and game department staff, or other persons holding a scientific permit from the executive director, to identify, monitor, or track animals; or (b) Any device placed or used in accordance with a warrant or in accordance with other lawful actions of law enforcement officers or personnel of the fish and game department in the performance of their official duties. VI. Any person who violates this section shall be guilty of a violation and subject to a fine of up to \$125 for each offense and, for a second or subsequent conviction under this section, may forfeit the game camera and related fastening devices used during the violation of this section.

Source. 2023, 232:7, eff. Jan. 1, 2024.

1 Commission Members in Attendance:

Meeting Called to Order by:

Jan Kent, Chair

- 2 Jan Kent, Chair
- 3 Michael Unger, Vice Chair
- 4 Kathy McDonald, Secretary
- 5 Warren Gibby
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7 Commission Members Excused:

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9 **Recording Secretary:**

- 10 Alvina Snegach (taking minutes from the recording)
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12 Members of the Public in Attendance:

- 13 Scott Cole from Beals Associates
- 14 Joe Falzone, Miendl Road Subdivision developer
- 15 Alex Monastiero, Beals Associates
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17 **Public Input:**

- 18 There was none
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20 Miendl Road Subdivision - review.

21 Mr. Cole noted that they are in front of the Conservation Commission because the

- Planning Board requested that. He then presented details of the application which is a three lot subdivision on Miendl Road. He went over the plan showing uplands and
- wetlands and noted that all lot calculations were done in accordance with the zoning requirements. The reason the Planning Board requested them to come to ConsCom is
- because there is a small wetland buffer impact proposed for the driveway on lot 2. It is

an isolated wetland of low value. Permanent buffer impact is just under 3000 sf. Silt fence

- and other necessary erosion control measures will be applied.
- 29 Then Mr. Cole answered questions from the board about the coloring on the plan, type
- 30 of wetland, its value, whether a wetland study was done and when, and if there were
- any hits for endangered species. Mr. Cole said that there were not hits. There were also
- questions about the width of the driveway and any proposed culverts under it. Mr. Cole
- noted the Department of Public Works would review the plan and if a recommendation is
 made by it, culverts will be put in.
- 35 There was a brief discussion about a letter about a dam, where Mr. Cole explained that
- it is an old stone spillway and there was a note on the plan which the Planning Board
- asked questions about. He said that it was not a dam recognized by NHDES and no
- impacts are proposed to it.
- ³⁹ There were more questions from the members about various wetlands in the area, culvert
- 40 under the road and who maintains it.
- 41 Then Mr. Cole talked about locations of the proposed houses, each lot acreage, driveway
- 42 setbacks, etc.

Commission Members Absent:

There was another discussion about he need to keep stormwater flow and drainage as 43 is, given that the Department of Public Works recommended it. 44

Next, members discussed potential comments to the Planning Board. They reviewed the 45

plan and discussed the driveway location for lot 2 as it will be within the wetland buffer. 46

They also discussed the culverts under the driveway and following DPW recommendations 47 if installing them. Another concern was with the highest ranked habitat for Raymond, the 48

developer should be mindful of wildlife, especially turtles, during construction. 49

Ms. Kent summarize the following comments: that the ConsCom discussed the driveway 50 location for Lot 2 since it is to be located in the wetland buffer, 45 feet from the 51 wetland. The ConCom has no concerns. ConsCom also discussed the potential to install 52 of the driveway culvert that is in discussion with Department of Public Works. ConsCom 53 agreed that Department of Public Works needs to review the need for the culvert.

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Mr. Unger made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gibby, that ConsCom will write a letter to the 55

Planning Board reflecting all the points discussed. Motion carried with all voting in favor. 56

Ms. Kent will draft the letter to the Planning Board. 57

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59 Autumn Trails - Conditional Use Permit – GWCD

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Chris Guida from Fieldstone Land Consultants went over the plan and the proposal. He 61 said that it has already been in front of the Planning Board, Technical Review Committee 62 and that Dubois&King is doing peer review for the Town. It is a commercial storage 63 building proposal. There are no wetlands on site, but there are some offsite. The lot is 64 across the street from Lamprey River, therefore, NHDES Shoreland Permit will be filed as 65 well. The special permit is only for being over the impervious surface limit. Then Mr. 66 Guida went over the stormwater features that have been designed as per the Planning 67 Board requirements. There is a detention chamber under the parking lot where the water 68 is detained before it gets treated in a rain garden on site and then leaving the site via an 69 existing road ditch and then a culvert under the road. He showed the septic system 70 location, the well location, and said that a subsurface system permit will be also filed with 71 NHDES. He then went over such plan features as steep slopes, proposed grading, etc. 72 Mr. Guida went over the special permit criteria. 56 percent of impervious surface is being 73 proposed with a limit set by town of 15 percent. He showed where impervious surface 74

will be and other features on site, such as retaining wall and drainage features. 75

Mr. Guida answered questions about adjacent access road, nearby wetlands and how far 76 the building was from them, type of potential uses for the location, potential 77 restrictions/rules for storing certain products, stormwater management and water flow, 78 impervious area, sending for comments to Lamprey River Advisory Committee (LRAC) as 79

- 80 part of the shoreland permit, etc.
- Ms. Kent read from an email from Therese Thompson, who is a Raymond representative 81
- on LRAC and noted that these were her personal comments and LRAC will comment as 82
- part of NHDES permitting process. Ms. Thompson's comments supported the installation 83
- of the rain garden. 84

There were more questions about infiltration, maintenance and inspection of the 85 detention chamber, oil-water separation before the water hits the rain garden, snow 86 87 storage area, dumpster location, permit submittals, possibility of installing a culvert under the driveway if necessary, landscaping, lot disturbance during construction, size of the 88 rain garden and its adequacy to handle all the water coming in, next-door vacant 89 property, possibility to add a note to the plan about the need to have a spill prevention 90 plan for uses that store large quantities of chemicals, etc. 91 Mr. Guida then answered questions about the stormwater management plan that is 92 required for the shoreland permit. 93 Members all expressed interest in seeing LRAC comments for this project when they are 94 available. Mr. Guida said that the Town will get a copy of the NHDES Shoreland permit. 95 Ms. Kent asked Mr. Guida to notify ConsCom and send them a copy of this permit when 96 they submit it. 97 Then members discussed comments Letter to the Planning Board. The noted that they 98 had concerns about the additional drainage flowing into the existing road ditch on Route 99 27 in addition to the existing drainage from Map/Lot 032-002-045. They also guestioned 100 if the building was 75' from the wetland on the abutting property. And ConsCom 101 requested that the applicant representative send a copy of NHDES Shoreland Permit to 102 them when it is submitted. The last comment was that ConsCom would like to review the 103 LRAC comments and may have additional comments after reviewing them. 104 Ms. McDonald made a motion to propose the above discussed points to the Planning 105 Board as comments. Mr. Unger duly seconded and motion carried unanimously. 106 Ms. Kent will draft the letter to the Planning Board. 107 108 Project Checklist completion 109 110 Members practices filling out checklists prepared by Mr. Unger for both projects that were 111 just presented to them. 112 113 Abutter Letter – next steps 114 115 Ms. Kent said that the abutter letter was not in the packet. She said that she discussed 116 the letter with the Town Manager and he had no problem with ConsCom sending the 117 letter. Then members discussed who to send the letter to. Ms. McDonald will send out 118 the letter. 119

- 120 121 **Finance**
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123 Conservation Fund Statement - December

- Beginning balance \$346,403.23 ending balance \$347,003.41.
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Approval of Minutes 128 129 January 10th, 2024. 130 Members reviewed the minutes and made small changes. 131 132 On a motion by Mr. Unger to approve the 1/10/2024 minutes as amended, which was 133 duly seconded by Mr. Gibby, 1/10/2024 minutes were approved by a unanimous vote in 134 favor. Motion passed with a unanimous vote in favor. 135 136 137 Correspondence 138 **Bear-Paw email** 139 Ms. Kent said that there was a response in the packet from Bear-Paw to her email. She 140 said that she also called Mr. Garnham regarding that response and invited him to a 141 ConsCom meeting. 142 143 Then Ms. Kent noted the following items of correspondence also contained in the packet: 144 145 Planning Board Letter - Route 27 Warehouse 146 LRAC Final Report - Bacteria Contamination 147 Email regarding LRAC procedure 148 Therese Thompson - Marden letter 149 This letter will be reviewed when Marden project is under review. 150 151 152 **Other business** Ms. Ken provided an update on the Cassier property sign. Town Manager and Doug Vogel 153 will stake out the area where the sign is to be placed, and the Town Manager is checking 154 with the Town Attorney about the process of accepting the timber rights. Mr. Cassier will 155 send the Town the agreement with all the details. 156 157 **Future Items/Events** 158 159 February 14th, 2024 - CC Meeting 160 February 28th, 2024 - CC Meeting 161 April 6th, 024 - Saving Special Places 162 163 Non-public session. 164 At 8:40 PM Ms. Kent made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91:A3 (d). 165 Mr. Gibby duly seconded and motion carried with a 4:0 roll call vote in favor: Ms. Kent -166 ave, Mr. Unger – ave, Ms. McDonald – ave, Mr. Gibby – ave. 167 168 169 170

- Public session was resumed at 9:10 PM. 171
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Adjournment 173

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Ms. Unger made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Gibby duly seconded. Motion carried 175 unanimously.

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- Meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM 178
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- Respectfully submitted, 180
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- Alvina Snegach 182
- **Recording Secretary** 183