

## TOWN OF EXETER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE EXETER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

#### **Monthly Meeting**

The Exeter Conservation Commission will in the Nowak Room, Exeter Town Offices at 10 Front Street, Exeter on **Tuesday**, **December 14**<sup>th</sup>, **2021 at 7:00 P.M.** 

#### Call to Order:

- 1. Introduction of Members Present
- 2. Public Comment

#### **Action Items:**

- 1. Request for exploratory test well drilling on the Morrissette Conservation Parcel in Exeter, as part of our continuing groundwater exploration program for the Town (agent: Daniel Tinkham).
- 2. Committee Reports
  - a. Property Management
    - i. Beaver Deceiver installation update
    - ii. Raynes Phase 1b Results
    - iii. Update on Little River Emerald Ash Borer research
  - b. Trails
  - c. Outreach Events
- 3. Approval of Minutes: November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Meeting
- 4. Correspondence
  - a. 41a Mill Road housing development email
  - b. Summer Exeter Trail Race inquiry
- 5. Other Business
- 6. Next Meeting: Date Scheduled (1/11/21), Submission Deadline (12/30/21)

Andrew Koff

**Exeter Conservation Commission** 

Posted December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Exeter Town Website <u>www.exeternh.gov</u> and Town Office kiosk.

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## TOWN OF EXETER PLANNING DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

Date: Dec 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021

To: Conservation Commission Board Members
From: Kristen Murphy, Natural Resource Planner
Subject: December 14<sup>th</sup> Conservation Commission Meeting

1. **Groundwater Exploration:** As you are aware, DPW is working to identify groundwater sources as part of the need to diversify and expand water sources within town to meet use demands. They previously received permission from you for several other parcels. They have identified potential on the Morrissette property and are seeking the Commissions support for access to bring in the drilling equipment to conduct the sampling. This is a preliminary exploration and not a request for full development. I have provided an email request from DPW's consultant as well as the deeds for the Morrissette property.

Suggested I	Motion for request:
	We have reviewed this proposal and feel the activity is <b>in compliance</b> with the terms of the deeds as proposed.
	We have reviewed this proposal and recommend that the activity is (in compliance with conditions) (not in compliance) with the terms of the deeds as noted below:



#### **Exploratory Test Well Drilling on the Morrissette Conservation Property**

1 message

Daniel Tinkham < Daniel. Tinkham@gza.com>

Fri, Dec 3, 2021 at 10:15 AM

To: Kristen Murphy <a href="mailto:kmurphy@exeternh.gov">kmurphy@exeternh.gov</a>, "Koff, Andrew" <a href="mailto:kmurphy@exeternh.gov">kmurphy@exeternh.gov</a>, Michael Metcalf <a href="mailto:kmurphy@exeternh.gov">kmurphy@exeternh.gov</a>, Matt Berube <a href="mailto:kmurphy@exeternh.gov">kmurphy@exeternh.gov</a>, Matt Berube <a href="mailto:kmurphy@exeternh.gov">kmurphy@exeternh.gov</a>, Steve Dalton <a href="mailto:kmurphy@exeternh.gov">kmurphy@exeternh.gov</a>, Steve Dalton <a href="mailto:kmurphy@exeternh.gov">kmurphy@exeternh.gov</a>, Steve Dalton <a href="mailto:kmurphy@exeternh.gov">kmurphy@exeternh.gov</a>, Steve Dalton <a href="mailto:kmurphy@exeternh.gov">kmurphy@exeternh.gov</a>), Steve Dalton <a href="mailto:kmurphy@exeternh.gov">kmurphy@exeternh.gov</a>)

Kristen and Andrew,

As we previously discussed, EGGI would like to perform exploratory test well drilling on the Morrissette Conservation Parcel in Exeter, New Hampshire, as part of our continuing groundwater exploration program for the Town. The attached figure shows our proposed route of entry onto the parcel from the Linden Street Entrance, remaining on the access road all the way to the field. I visited the site with a wetland scientist and he identified an area on the west edge of the field with wetland soils (see attached Figure). All three of our proposed testing locations are outside the limits of the wetland soils. In addition, we propose that the drill rig remain on high ground in a gentle arc across the field, thereby avoiding all the wetland soils.

The exploratory test well drilling will likely take two to three days and we anticipate scheduling the drilling during the month of January, so we will be tracking across frozen and/or snow-covered ground. The two exploratory test wells along the west edge of the field will be tucked close to the treeline. The well located furthest to the west is within the forested portion or the property and access for the drilling machine will likely require the removal of a few small trees. The proposed access route does not cross the blazed (white) trail west of the field. If the track machines create any damage to the soil (unlikely with the frozen conditions) those areas will be smoothed out afterwards.

If favorable aquifer material is intercepted at depth in the exploratory test wells, we will construct 3-inch-diameter PVC wells with a four-inch-diameter, locking protective standpipe visible above ground.

We appreciate the opportunity to present our plan to the Conservation Commission on December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Please let me know if there are any other supporting materials that would be helpful as you consider our request.

Dan

Daniel J. Tinkham

Senior Consultant | Hydrogeologist

Emery & Garrett Groundwater Investigations, a Division of GZA

56 Main Street, PO Box 1578 | Meredith, NH 03253

Figure 1

# **Proposed Test Drilling Locations Morrissette Conservation Area**

**Exeter, New Hampshire** 

## Legend



Palustrine Wetlands from National Wetlands Inventory (NWI)



EGGI/GZA Mapped Wetland



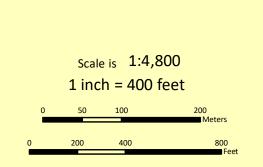
Proposed Test Boring



Morrissette Parcel

Exeter Tax Parcels





Emery & Garrett Groundwater
Investigations, A Division of GZA

#### **DEED**

**Exeter Region Cooperative School District**, a New Hampshire municipal corporation, with a mailing address of 30 Linden Street, Exeter, New Hampshire 03833-2622,

for consideration paid, grant to

**Town of Exeter**, a New Hampshire municipal corporation, with a mailing address of 10 Front Street, Exeter, New Hampshire 03833-2792, acting through its Conservation Commission and with the assent of the Board of Selectmen pursuant to RSA 36-A:4,

#### with QUITCLAIM COVENANTS

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, if any, on Linden Street in the Town of Exeter, County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire, being more particularly described as follows:

A certain tract or parcel of land, lying between the westerly side of Court Street, and the easterly side of Linden Street, in Exeter, County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire, and being shown as Parcel "A" on a certain "Plat of Land of Lillian Morrissette for Exeter School District in Exeter, N.H." dated August 1973 by Parker Survey Assoc. Inc., recorded in Rockingham Records as Plan No. D-4024, and being bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the westerly side of said Court Street, at the southeasterly corner of land of Shirley Cail and thence running S 36° 48' 00" W along the westerly side of said Court Street 177.18' to a point at the northeasterly corner of land of one Booth; thence turning and running N 65° 19' 10" W along land of said Booth 121.14' to a point; thence turning and running S 29° 29' 30" W along land of said Booth 111.95' to a point at land formerly of Exeter Manor Nursing Home, Inc. and now owned and being retained by the Exeter School District; thence turning and running N 54° 21' 40" W along land of said Exeter School District 309.79' to a point; thence turning and running S 35° 39' 40" W along land of said Exeter School District 239.79' to a point at land of Lillian Morrissette shown as parcel "B" on said plan; thence turning

and running N 68° 01' 10" W along land of said Lillian Morrissette shown as parcel "B" a distance of 1,289.02' to a point on the easterly side of Linden Street as shown on said plan; thence turning and running N 30° 31' 30" E along said Linden Street 6.78' to a point; thence continuing N 16° 36' 10" E along said Linden Street a distance of 230.82' to a point; thence continuing N 16° 24' 00" E still along said Linden Street 101.92' to a point at the southwesterly corner of land now or formerly of one Bernier as shown on said plan; thence turning and running S 65° 16' 40" E along said Bernier land 216.12' to a point marked by an iron pin; thence turning and running N 18° 07' 10" E along said Bernier land 154.45' to a point also marked by an iron pin; thence turning and running N 77° 31' 30" W along said Bernier land 232.00' to a point on the easterly sideline of said Linden Street; thence turning and running N 04° 43' 10" E along said Linden Street 259.19' to a point at land now or formerly of R. Gaudet; thence turning and running S 67° 17' 30" E along land of said Gaudet a distance of 387.00' to a point; thence turning and running N 03° 36' 50" E along land of said Gaudet a distance of 237.00' to the Little River as shown on said plan; thence turning and running in a generally easterly direction along the Little River to a point at the northwesterly corner of land of Lillian Morrissette at the intersection of the westerly bound of said Morrissette property and the Little River, so-called; thence running S 22° 46' 00" W along land of Lillian Morrissette as shown on said Parker plan 440,00° to an iron pipe; thence turning and running S 65° 29° 30° E along land of said Lillian Morrissette 115.09' to an iron pipe; thence turning and running S 31° 09' 40" W along land of Lillian Morrissette, in part, and along land of Ernest Morrissette 62.59' to an iron pipe; thence continuing S 36° 26' 30" W along land now or formerly of one Ralphs 76.89' to a point at the westerly corner of said Ralphs land; thence turning and running S 53° 29' 40" E along land of said Ralphs 50.04' to a point at the northerly corner of land now or formerly of Cail as shown on said plan; thence turning and running S 36° 48' 00" W along land of Cail 100.00' to a point; thence turning and running S 53° 29' 40" E along said Cail land 110.00' to a point on the westerly sideline of said Court Street and the point of beginning; said premises containing 36 acres more or less, as shown on said plan.

This conveyance is made subject to sewer line easement conveyed by Joseph Morrissette to the Town of Exeter by instrument dated October 6, 1966, recorded in Rockingham Records, Book 1844, Page 334.

Subject to a sewer easement as described in "Sewer Easement" from the Grantor to Norman R. Guerrett and Irma Y. Guerrett, their successors and assigns, dated November 11, 1974, and recorded in the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds at Book 2230, Page 0537.

The property shall be managed in perpetuity by the Town of Exeter Conservation Commission and/or its successor for the following purposes:

- 1) The conservation and preservation of open spaces, and/or public education of these values particularly the protection of the Little River and its associated wetlands, and the diverse wildlife habitats on the property.
- 2) To retain public access for passive recreational activities.
- 3) There shall be no hunting, camping, or fires.
- 4) There shall be no use of wheeled vehicles except those necessary for management consistent with the conservation purposes.

5) Any structure or improvement must be consistent with the purposes identified above.

These purposes are consistent with the open space conservation goals and/or objectives of the master plan of the Town of Exeter.

Being a portion of the premises (Parcel III) conveyed by Deed dated July 2, 1997, and recorded in the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds at Book 3225, Page 2487.

Signed this 21 day of 3, 2010.

Exeter Region Cooperative School District

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires

Title: Charpenson
Duly Authorized

#### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

By;

ROCKINGHAM, ss

On this 21 day of Ortholo, 2010, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Tournout District, known to me or who proved to me through satisfactory evidence of identification, to be the person whose name is signed on this document, and acknowledged to me that he/she signed it voluntarily for its stated purpose by and on behalf of Exeter Region Cooperative School District.

#### ACCEPTANCE BY THE TOWN OF EXETER

In accordance with RSA 36-A:4, the foregoing gift of conservation land is hereby accepted in the name of the Town of Exeter by the Exeter Conservation Commission with the approval of the Exeter Board of Selectmen.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Date: 9/20/2018 By:

ulie Gilman, Its Chairwoman,

Duly Authorized

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION** 

Date: 9/20/20\0 By:

Robert Aldrich Its Chairman,

Duly Authorized

Exeter Conservation Commission
November 9, 2021
Nowack Room
10 Front Street
Draft Minutes

#### **Call to Order**

1. Introduction of Members Present (by Roll Call)

Present at tonight's meeting were by roll call, Chair Andrew Koff, Vice-Chair Trevor Mattera, David Short, Kristen Osterwood (remotely), Nick Campion, Conor Madison, Daryl Browne, Select Board Liaison, Donald Clement, Alternate, Bill Campbell, Alternate (remotely), Thomas Patterson, Alternate, and Kristen Murphy, Natural Resource Planner.

Absent: Alyson Eberhardt and Kyle Welch, Alternate

Mr. Koff called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and activated Alternate Don Clement.

2. Public Comment (7:00 PM)

Mr. Koff asked if there were any members of the public who wanted to speak to an item not on the agenda and being none closed public comment.

#### **Action Items**

1. Continued review of the Standard Dredge and Fill Application for wetland impacts associated with the construction of a proposed 41-lot residential subdivision and associated infrastructure at Tax Map 54, Lots 5, 6 & 7 and Map 63, Lot 205). Wetland and shoreland buffer impacts were previously addressed in July 2018, through issuance of a shoreland conditional use permit and wetland waiver. *Agent: Marc Jacobs, CWS*.

Mr. Koff read out loud the Public Hearing Notice and noted the Commission will be asked to comment on the application to DES and provide an opinion letter. The hearing was continued from last month to review the road crossing to access the buildable upland area and the alternate crossing proposed by Pete Steckler which relates to the avoidance and minimization criteria of the application. A third-party review was done by Patrick Seacamp and a follow-up memo provided by wetland scientist, Marc Jacobs and the public comment of abutters. Mr. McTighe will respond to Dr. Roseen's letter to NH DES. The Commission will not dig into the Alteration of Terrain application with NH DES. Mr. Seacamp's third party review letter addressed the proposed alternate access.

Marc Jacobs, certified wetlands scientist referenced the 10/29 letter in response to Pete Steckler's letter concerning fragmentation concerns and analysis of alternatives. The evaluation of data concerns the quantity of data and quality of wetlands which avoids or minimizes impact to the greatest degree. Mr.

Jacobs noted the letter speaks for itself and spoke to concerns about habitat fragmentation 20' downstream from the existing concrete weir which he opined was a stretch that it would fragment the habitat. There was a peer review in 2018 of the same system found to be equal if not functional. Two professional opinions discussed the quantity and quality. The alternate was not a full design and doesn't include stormwater treatment. If it did, impacts would be greater. He noted you can't make water go uphill and the road would need to be expanded also. The curve and slopes would have to be considered as a road perspective because safety also factors in. Mr. Jacobs discussed Tier 1 and Tier 2 which for the same reasons would be elevated. In 2017 there was a substantial change to the wetland rules. The application before the Commission meets current standards, before the 24' bottom box culvert. Before the rules changed it would not have been elevated, now both proposed crossings would. Oak Street would not meet the Town's current design standards which has nothing to do with the State.

Mr. Koff opened the hearing to the public for comments and questions at 7:22 PM.

Jen Legere of Six Forest Street noted this is the fourth anniversary of this project and noted Mark West and Dr. Roseen were both present. Mark West, a wetland scientist was asked by the neighborhood group to get involved a couple of years ago. She expressed concerns about the priority resource area under the new rules. As designated, it would now cross a priority resource area.

Mr. Clement asked if DES classified the area as a priority resource area and Mr. Jacobs noted a portion of the 100-year floodplain of the Brook would be a priority resource area shown on Exhibit 1 or 2 of the report. NH DES was copied on those materials and it would be up to them to confirm or deny. The alternate design would also involve the priority resource area.

Mr. Clement noted the alternate design was not fully engineered.

Dr. Roseen noted he did not believe it was the case that the Commission should not concern themselves with stormwater review of AoT. It would be rare that the stormwater and groundwater don't affect natural resources.

Dr. Roseen indicated there is a lack of channel protection and expressed concerns with maintaining the level of flow before and after to prevent the stream from unraveling. He noted he was surprised more than two years later the issue has not been addressed.

Mr. Clement asked about how the channel protection could be provided and Dr. Roseen indicated gravel wetlands are tremendous for removing nitrogen but not for volume control which needs to be focused on. Dr. Roseen exemplified projects done at Dover, Stratham and Portsmouth with infiltration within the roadways. He noted porous pavement is not great in this kind of location due to the requirements for routine maintenance which would not likely see success in a small area. The alternate would also have some impacts with the road widening.

Mr. Short asked about the quality with gravel wetlands treating nitrogen and phosphorous, solids, oils and grease. Dr. Roseen noted he would like to see both quality and quantity of treatment.

Mr. McTighe noted there were more concerns with nitrogen and no public roads are approved with this. Most DPW are resistant, Portsmouth asked not to put infiltration systems under roads because of the maintenance issues. Failure would cause the whole road to fail and conflict with utilities which make more impacts. AoT pushes for anaerobic nitrogen infiltration. Dr. Roseen noted infiltration within the roadway does not have to be done with chambers and engineering innovation such as perforated pipe and stone should be looked into.

June Fabray of Chestnut Street noted she followed the Planning Board process and expressed concerns with the sewer pump station in a low spot and the area predicted to be inundated in the future. She referenced Page 27 of the Master Plan and concerns with pushing water onto private property. She noted the development received a large number of waivers.

Mr. McTighe discussed the rising sea level predictors and potential wetland impact to the sewer pump station. Flood level would be at 4' freeboard in the worst-case prediction. The pump station will be the Town's responsibility.

Mr. Clement asked if the pump station would be part of the HOA and Mr. Koff noted the Town would be taking over the road.

Mr. Clement noted he would like to see pre and post construction erosion control in place and and a reduction or elimination of fertilizers used in the development and reduced salt in the roadways. Mr. Clement noted all make valid points and are qualified wetland scientists. Mr. Clement noted in his opinion the crossing would not create an adverse effect of the water quality of Norris Brook.

Mr. Koff noted there were pros and cons to both designs. Mr. Short noted he saw nothing compelling to go the alternate route and NH DES will look at both designs and be the final arbiters. There is nothing overwhelmingly compelling in the alternate route and some negatives as well. Mr. Mattera agreed there is no better answer here. The design of the open box culvert crossing seems sufficient, and he stated he does not buy into the argument that there will be additional fragmentation and agrees there is no overwhelming evidence design #1 is causing greater detriment to quality.

Mr. Short spoke to the size of the open bottom box culvert and the ability of wildlife to pass. He asked if there were a shelf on both sides and Mr. Jacobs responded yes.

Mr. Jacobs noted he did not have final feedback from Fish & Game. NHB signed off on rare plant species. Mr. Koff addressed vegetation and increase of light penetration. There is a lot of knotweed. A perennial stream would be crossed with the alternate design. More forest cover would be lost with the alternate than currently proposed. He would like to see an invasive management plan. The Planning Board requested an environmental monitor during construction especially for knotweed and possible transmission down Norris Brook. A map provided a survey of the extent of the knotweed. Mr. Koff noted the safety of the public and drivers would need to be balanced as well as the slope to roads. The property is 6.9% steeper. Mr. McTighe noted in the event of an emergency there would be two access points. With the alternate there would be only one.

Mr. Koff closed the hearing to the public at 8:27 for deliberations.

Mr. Mattera noted there were enough wetland impacts to trigger compensatory mitigation (#6549). Tamarind Lane could be explored as a location option for mitigation.

Mr. Clement noted the alternatives have been laid out and there are impacts either way. The alternate design does not avoid impact to a significant degree. Open bottom culverts are very effective.

Mr. Short recommended asking DPW to use their discretion with making a low salt reduction area. Mr. Koff noted that could be raised with DPW but is outside the State permit.

Mr. Koff motioned that the Commission has no objection to the State permit application with the inclusion of the following conditions:

- 1. Erosion control per and post construction;
- 2. Discretion of DPW to regulate low salt usage area;
- 3. Invasive Management during construction to limit the spread of invasive species;
- 4. Increased volume control where necessary related to stormwater management; and
- 5. Tamarind Lane culvert replacement exploration as #6549 local mitigation.

Mr. Short seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.

Mr. Koff informed the applicant the Commission would be in touch at a future date to discuss the terms of the Conservation easement.

2. Research Request: Julia Brazo Geological Research at Henderson Swasey

Ms. Murphy provided details of the request by Julia Brazo to collect rock samples for geo-dating and glacial measurements. Samples would be smaller than a closed fist. Samples could be limited.

Mr. Koff noted he would like to know the specific locations where boulders would be sampled as there is a lot of recreational rock-climbing activity and they are a valuable resource he would not want to see damaged or destroyed. Ms. Brazo could walk the area with a member of the Commission and when that person feels uncomfortable with the location or number of sampling, they will ask the sampling to stop. Mr. Short and Mr. Koff offered to supervise the sampling.

Mr. Koff motioned to approve the request of Julia Brazo for sampling of select boulders at Henderson Swasey under the oversight of the Commission. Mr. Short seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.

- 3. Committee Reports
  - a. Property Management

i. McDonnell Gate Closure Notice: Effective November 1 – March 31.

Ms. Murphy noted the gate closure was discussed at an earlier meeting and approved. The gate is being opened and closed by volunteers twice a day. Mr. Clement noted the volunteers were doing a great job with that. Ms. Murphy noted there would still be parking for two cars.

ii. Raynes Farm Update

Ms. Murphy noted Phase 1B Archeological will begin Wednesday to mark the site. There will be test pits and Dig Safe marking then Public Works and the following week then the archeological stuff Ms. Murphy will go out and take pictures.

iii. Pin Inspection Mendez Property

Ms. Murphy noted pins were installed for all but three. The Select Board signed the deed which allows the Town the ability to install a future trail.

#### b. Trails

i. Flooding of Oaklands Bog Bridge, Beaver pipe plan. Total project \$1,700

Mr. Short reported contacting several people concerning the beaver problem at the Bog Bridge. He would like to see the water at a manageable level below the bridge. A design was sent. Work would be guaranteed for ten years and can be done before winter. The cost would be \$1,700 offset by grant from the NH Animal Rights League paid directly to the installer of \$750 leaving a cost to the Town of \$950.

Mr. Short indicated the work would all be done by hand. Ms. Murphy noted she sent a letter to Eben Lewis at NH DES. He noted there are concerns that if the Town does nothing someone may take it upon themselves to eliminate the dam.

Mr. Clement motioned to expend up to \$950 from the Conservation Fund for installation of a beaver deceiver pipe system to reduce flooding of the trail at the Oaklands Conservation area. Mr. Short seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.

#### c. Outreach Events

i. Raynes Wreath Workshop November 20<sup>th</sup> 10-12 (approval of funds)

Ms. Murphy reported there will be a meeting on Saturday November 20<sup>th</sup> from 10-12. Cost is \$30 per person. Any helpers can reach out.

Mr. Koff motioned to expend up to \$150 from the Conservation Services budget for the project. Mr. Short seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.

- 4. Approval of Minutes: September 14, 2021 Meeting and October 12, 2021 Meeting
  - September 14, 2021

Mr. Koff motioned to approve the September 14, 2021 meeting minutes. Mr. Short seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.

October 12, 2021

Mr. Koff recommended edits.

Mr. Koff motioned to approve the October 12, 2021 meeting minutes, as amended. Mr. Short seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.

#### 5. Other Business

Ben Anderson of the Word Barn provided hand outs concerning his request for a sight easement to satisfy the DOT's requirements. Mr. Anderson appeared at an earlier meeting but noted DOT was not satisfied with the letter provided by the Commission and wanted an easement.

Ms. Murphy noted the Commission did not have the authority to grant easements and he would have to go to the Select Board with their recommendation. The easement is a recorded document.

Mr. Short motioned to support Ben Anderson's sight line application to the Select Board. Mr. Clement seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.

Mr. Clement expressed concerns about invasives on Town property. Mr. Short reported the Town had cut them back at the boat launch. Mr. Clement noted he would like to see them replaced with something else.

Ms. Murphy noted David O'Hearn stepped down from the Exeter Squamscott River Advisory Committee and they are looking for someone to serve as a representative. Mr. Clement noted they meet once a month. There are twelve towns in the watershed from Chester to Stratham.

Ms. Murphy noted Alewife Fest 2022 is being planned. There is a meeting next week. An email was sent with the date. The Library will be having a story hour for kids and the Founders Park area has been reserved with Greg Bisson.

Mr. Koff recommended having a January gathering and asked members to email ideas.

6. Next Meeting: Date Scheduled (12/14/21), Submission Deadline (12/3/21)

#### <u>Adjournment</u>

MOTION: Mr. Short moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:37 PM seconded by Mr. Clement. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Hoijer, Recording Secretary Via Exeter TV

This meeting was also broadcast on Zoom 826 8571 4277

## On the Path to Resilience: **Preparing for a Changing Climate**



Thursday, January 20, from 9:00-10:30am via zoom









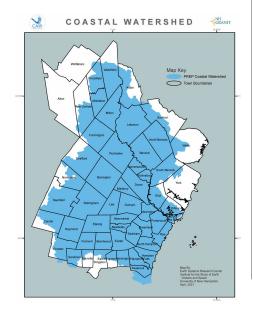
## **Register:**

#### https://tinyurl.com/P2Rzoom

Registration is free but required in order to receive the zoom link.

### **Questions?**

Contact Abigail.Lyon@unh.edu



Members of the NH Coastal Adaptation Workgroup (CAW) invite you to join us for an online workshop.

#### **Participants will:**

- Hear about the latest climate change projections for New Hampshire, including more precipitation, warming temperatures, and increases in drought
- Learn about the findings from a recent assessment of communities' climate-related needs and opportunities
- Share lessons learned, advice, and questions about how your community can plan for and address climate impacts
- Learn about resources and assistance available to support your community in preparing for extreme weather events and our changing climate

#### Who:

- Municipal staff, volunteer board members, and interested residents from throughout New Hampshire's 42 coastal watershed communities
- Participants from the five focal communities in the needs and opportunities assessment for the Path to Resilience Project (Barrington, Kingston, New Durham, Rochester, and Somersworth)
- CAW Talks members and Coastal Conservation Commission Roundtable members

This program is made possible by a Leadership in Community Resilience grant from the National League of Cities and the Piscataqua Region Estuaries Partnership.