

Heath Conservation Commission (HCC)
Meeting Minutes
June 5, 2025

1. Call to Order

After a technical snafu, meeting opened at 7:24.

Present: HCC Chair, Brian DeVries, members, Pam Porter, Susan Draxler, Heather Row; HCC Consultant Bill Lattrell, In Person Visitor, Maureen Lattrell; Zoom Visitor, Sean Doherty

2. Review and discuss Request for Determination filed by Sean Doherty.

- a. Request for Determination concerned clearing an area for parking at Hosmer Rd. property of Sean Doherty. Mr. Doherty was present via zoom for meeting. HCC Consultant visited the site and reports that the area is more than 50 feet away from the stream and that applicant is using erosion control and clean stone at the project. He complimented the owner on his application, which is attached for inclusion in these minutes.
- b. Heather Row moved and Susan Draxler seconded a motion for a Negative Determination which passed by unanimous vote.
- c. Mr. Doherty was informed of 10 day waiting period to begin work.
- d. Forms were signed by HCC members.

3. Discuss updates on gravel mining operation on Rte. 8A
 - a. Chair reported that he sent a letter to operation owner Tom Danek and followed up with a phone call to be sure he (owner) was watching for it.
 - b. Mr. Danek said he was aware he was getting close to wetlands and to the Jacobs Municipal Center septic system and that he had no intention of going further with excavations.
 - c. Chair reported he informed Mr. Danek that wet lands delineation is required and Mr. Danek said he would get Emily Stockman of Stockman Associates to do the job.
 - d. Chair reported that he gave Mr. Danek an end of June 2025 deadline for completion of delineation. Consultant noted that this may not be possible given Stockman's availability.
4. Review and approve past meeting minutes.
 - a. Minutes for Nov.1, 2024 and April 10, 2025 were reviewed and approved unanimously as amended. Corrected minutes attached.
5. Review items that could not be reasonably anticipated before posting the meeting.
 - a. Consultant reports a concern about wetlands violations by the Heath Recreation Committee on their current trail project.
 - i. Committee agreed to meet on June 23, 2025 at 7PM to discuss concerns.
 - ii. Consultant agreed to put his concerns in writing.
 - b. Consultant said that a long-term agreement that the Heath Board of Health (BOH) would inform HCC ahead of time about perk tests that are approved has not been observed since the introduction of new members to the BOH. The agreement, which allows HCC

Consultant to review site before work is started, was instituted to help avoid incursion of unnecessary and/or unexpected expense by owners and prospective buyers which in the past have led to the town being sued.

- i. Consultant talked to FRCOG representative Kurt Schellenberg to remind him of this agreement.
- ii. Chair will write to BOH Chair to remind him of it.

6. There being no further business, Heather made a motion that we adjourn. It was seconded by Susan and approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:04.

NEXT MEETING: June 23, 2025, 7PM, Jacobs Municipal Center

Respectfully Submitted,
Pam Porter