

DRAFT MINUTES
CITY OF NASHUA
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
September 11, 2025
Four Hills Landfill

The site walk was called to order at 5:31 by Chair Dutzy

Roll call by: Commissioner Dutzy

Those Present: Commissioners: Sherry Dutzy, Brandon Pierotti, Carol Sarno, Amanda Griffith, Will Darby (joined later)

Others Present: Mr. Brendan Quigley, Gove Environmental, Deb Chisholm, Nashua Community Development, Tom Zajac & Ethan Beals, Hayner/Swanson, Darrin Santos, DPW Env. Eng., Dan Hudson, City of Nashua Engineering

THE FOLLOWING SITE WALK MUST ONLY DISCUSS THE PROPERTY LISTED. A BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND INFORMATIONAL WALK WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE OWNER AND/OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE. DISCUSSION CONCERNING BUFFER IMPACTS AND ANY RELATED TOPICS ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY WILL BE COVERED. THE WALK SHOULD THEN ADJOURN WITH NO FURTHER DISCUSSION OF CONSERVATION BUSINESS. ALL DECISIONS WILL BE MADE AT AN UPCOMING MEETING AND POSTED ON THE AGENDA ACCORDINGLY. SITE WALK NOTES/MINUTES WILL BE APPROVED AT THAT TIME. DRAFT MINUTES NEED TO BE MADE AVAILABLE WITHIN ONE WEEK OF THE WALK.

The Nashua Department of Public Works is planning to build a large garage facility at Four Hills Landfill to protect expensive equipment from being damaged by weather and critters who chew wires and cables. HKT Architects designed the site and Hayner/Swanson Inc. is charged with implementation.

Mr. Quigley led the Commissioners et.al. on a site walk of the area to be developed which included 2 drainage areas overgrown with scrub brush (very little water could be seen due to drought conditions) and a large, brown-colored pond. The pond will not be disturbed but upland trees will be cut to provide for a laydown area.

The garage will connect to the existing DPW building at 848 W. Hollis and there will be a grade change from this building. Since the scale is fairly new and costly it is necessary to design around it. This resulted in many compromises having to be made.

Comments by commissioners were as follows: 1) Concern over the number of trees to be cut and loss of habitat to create a laydown area. 2) Clarification of the edge of a road and if any trees would be cut.

This issue of mitigation was raised. The engineers felt that the improvement in the drainage system would serve as mitigation for the project.

As there were no further questions, Commissioner Sarno moved to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Darby. The meeting adjourned at 6:15.

Submitted by:
Sherry Dutzy

Date:
September 23, 2025