

DRAFT MINUTES
CITY OF NASHUA
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
April 14, 2026
26 Verona Street

The site walk was called to order at 6:15 by Chair Dutzy

Roll call by: Commissioner Dutzy

Those Present: Commissioners: Sherry Dutzy, Carol Sarno, Richard Widhu, Will Darby, Dale Carruth, Brandon Pierotti

Others Present: Levent Akinci, Nashua Community Development, Mark Lessard & Jane McCutcheon, Homeowners

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 applicants are requesting a variance to add a 12' x 12' deck off the rear of their home. The area is home to much wildlife. A doe and 2 fawns were seen bounding across the property as well as many, many birds. The homeowners would like to take advantage of this by adding an outdoor space for viewing.

26 Verona St. is located almost entirely in the 75' buffer of Salmon Brook across from Fields Grove. It is a dead-end street. The backyard is level for approximately 25' before sloping down into a marshy area and then to the brook. The area is naturally maintained and is mowed in the fall. The homeowners plan to keep this area in its natural state.

Commissioners toured the site. The plan is to sink 2 sonotubes for the deck's support. This would be the only buffer disturbance. The deck would be made from Trek's recycled plastic and will be slotted to allow for drainage. No roof is planned.

The homeowners are open to suggestions for additional native plantings and are particularly interested in suggestions for native groundcover for a sandy area that receives morning sun.

As there were no further questions, Commissioner Darby moved to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Carruth. The meeting adjourned at 6:31 PM.

Submitted by:
Sherry Dutzy

Date:
April 20, 2026