

## What Happens at a Conservation Commission Meeting?



- To get on the agenda for a Conservation Commission meeting, please have your permit application(s) submitted by deadline date listed on the application. An appointment with the Conservation Commission must be schedule at least one week prior to the meeting date. The Conservation Commission cannot make additions to a meeting agenda on the day of the meeting or at the meeting.
- The Conservation Commission conducts “walk-throughs” on the Saturday before each monthly meeting. Walk-throughs allow the Commission members to see where the proposed changes would be on your property, and where and to what extent they have an impact on the wetlands or buffer, prior to discussion of the project at the meeting.
- At the meetings, the projects on the agenda will be discussed, with regard to how well they conform to Town/State wetlands guidelines, and what special circumstances and/or mitigation are being offered if the project does not conform to those guidelines.
  - Town Special Permit Applications – After discussing the project, the Conservation Commission votes to oppose or not to oppose the permit for this project. A letter stating the Commission’s position and any other stipulations is sent to the Planning Board.
  - State Permit Applications - After discussing the project, the Conservation Commission votes to oppose or not to oppose the permit for this project. A letter stating the Commission’s position and any other stipulations is sent to NHDES
- Planning Board and/or the State will make the final determination regarding whether or not to issue the necessary permits.