

Town of Hardwick
Hardwick, VT 05843

Hardwick Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2026 Memorial Building

Present: Lesa Cathcart, Rachel Kane, Peter Moskovitz, Joe Nudell, Norma Wiesen, Lucy Zendzian

Absent: Tyler Buswell, Kathy Hemmens, Ben Pougner

1. Meeting called to order 5:10 pm
2. Minutes of Dec. 8, 2025 approved unanimously
3. **Plans for Jan. 24 Public Meeting on the Buffalo Mountain Project, Jeudevine Library, 2-4 pm**
 - a. **Preparation**
 - i. **Rachel** distributed informational hand-outs for members to offer folks
 - ii. **Norma** will advertise the event on FPF
 - iii. **Lucy** will ask **Ben** to post the event on our website
 - iv. **Rachel** will check with Eric Remick about attending as the Selectboard spokesperson
 - v. **Joe** will update and print 50 copies of a Q-and-A sheet to be distributed at the meeting
 - vi. **Peter** will get cookies/snacks for refreshments
 - vii. **Rachel** will provide coffee, cream and sugar, napkins and paper cups
 - viii. **Lesa** will provide hot chocolate and hot water dispenser
 - ix. **Norma** will check with the library about what kitchen equipment/tools are available
 - x. **Norma** will get colored paper and a collection bucket for audience ideas, also name tags
 - b. **Program**

- i. **Lesa** will moderate the meeting (introduce the agenda, the speakers and “move the meeting along”)
- ii. **Agenda**
 - 1. Hannah Redmond (Trust for Public Land) will provide an overview of the Buffalo Mountain Conservation Project
 - 2. Jack Travelstead? Paul Cillo? will discuss Northern Rivers Land Trust’s participation
 - 3. Eric Remick, Selectboard Chair, will discuss the Town’s role in the project
 - 4. **Lucy** will discuss the Town Meeting Buffalo Mt question on the project and HCC’s role and interest in collecting names of people interested in serving on a Buffalo Mountain Steering Committee
 - 5. Break?
 - 6. Audience Q-and-A/ Collect names of people interested in the Steering Committee

4. Updates

- a. **Conservation Fund: Lucy, Peter and Rachel** developing policies to create the Fund. No report
- b. **2027 Municipal Plan Subcommittee: Peter, Lesa and Lucy** working with Planning Commission. No report
- c. **HCC Website: Lucy and Joe** working on upgrading the website. No report.

5. Meeting adjourned 6:35 pm

Next Regular Meeting: Feb. 9, 2026 at 5:00pm at the Memorial Bldg.

Submitted by Norma Wiesen, Secretary