

HOOKSETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION
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**Hooksett Riverwalk Trail
Grand Opening**

“A Vision Realized — Two Communities Connected”

Hooksett to Allenstown

May 16, 2024, 4:00 to 5:30 PM

WELCOME — The National Anthem, sung by Sandee Guide, Hooksett

CINDY ROBERTSON — OPENING REMARKS
Conservation Commission Chair

MARGARET MCSHERRY — A LETTER FROM THE OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN
CHRIS PAPPAS

KERRY ZACK — A LETTER FROM THE OFFICE OF SENATOR MAGGIE
HASSAN

STEVE COUTURE — HOW THIS PROJECT CAME TO FRUITION
Former Conservation Commission Chair

DAVE HESS — WHY THIS PROPERTY IS IMPORTANT TO HOOKSETT
State Legislator, 1994-2016, and former Conservation Commission Member

CINDY ROBERTSON — CLOSING REMARKS

TRAIL WALK

Special thanks to Jarrod Williams, event music, and to Sandee Guide, singer of the National Anthem

The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests holds the conservation easement on this property to permanently protect 126 acres

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CINDY ROBERTSON

Cindy joined the Conservation Commission in 2004 and has served as its chair since 2019. She served as the Town Moderator for six years and continues to volunteer at town elections. She graduated from Bucknell University and holds a law degree from UNH School of Law. Her professional work includes serving as the Senior Staff Attorney for the NH Disability Rights Center for nearly 15 years. When she's not conserving land and wildlife, you might find her playing with the NH Fiddle Ensemble, line dancing, or driving for Meals on Wheels as a volunteer.

STEVE COUTURE

Steve was a key steward in the development of the Hooksett Riverwalk Trail. He served on the Conservation Commission from 2000 to 2019, and was its long-time chair, including during the first two phases of trail construction. He is the Coastal Program Administrator for the NH Department of Environmental Services, where he has worked for nearly 25 years. He served three combat deployments in Iraq and Afghanistan, and recently retired from the Army National Guard as First Sergeant after 23 years of service.

DAVE HESS

Dave served in the NH House of Representatives from 1994 to 2016 representing Hooksett. He was a long-time member of the Conservation Commission, and was key in procuring the 126 acres where the Hooksett Riverwalk Trail is located. He graduated from Dartmouth, holds a law degree from Yale Law School, and practiced law in New Hampshire for 32 years before retiring in 2003. He served for several decades as the Town of Hooksett's legal counsel, and was the Hooksett School District Moderator for 22 years.
