



Conservation Commission Minutes

Monday, January 27, 2020 Town Hall, Room 101, 7:00 PM

Present: Jon Clements, Heather McCann, Sabrina Moreau, Doug Beach, David Lamb, Associate member Mark Brownell;
Conservation Administrator Erica Cross & Assistant Conservation Agent Cayla Paulding

Absent: David Haines, Edward Knight

Called to order at 7:01 pm by J. Clements

7:00pm

Notice of Intent – DEP# 104-1052, BCC# 19-04 – Requests Continuance to 2/10/2020

Lot 2 Allen St, Single Family House with stream crossing & appurtenances

Map 231, Lot 19.01

Jeffrey A. Bessette

H. McCann motions to continue, D. Beach seconds; all in favor

Request for Amended Order – DEP# 104-1032, BCC# 18-07 - Requests Continuance to 2/24/2020

Carriage Drive at Front St, Roadway construction

Map 243, Lot 178

MassDevelopment

H. McCann asks if they can assert that too much has changed for an amended order. E. Cross says that a commission can ask for a new notice of intent at any time. E. Cross offers to communicate with MassDevelopment the concerns and return 2/10/2020 to make a decision for a new notice or to continue with the amended order. J. Clements asks if all the work has been done. E. Cross says all the work has not been done, but they cannot review a hearing on this without representatives from MassDevelopment present. J. Clements cannot wrap his head around the issue without a site visit first. E. Cross will take anyone on a site visit who wishes to go. They cannot discuss the development at the present moment since the applicants requested a continuance. S. Moreau would benefit from a site visit. E. Cross says if a quorum does a site visit they will have to notify the public 48 hrs in advance.

H. McCann motions to continue, S. Moreau seconds, all in favor

Request for Determination of Applicability–BCC# 19-39

42 Underwood St, septic repair

Map 251, Lot 222

Heidi and Julie Christen

E. Cross says it is a relatively stable backyard. The only place on the lot that will allow a leach field is 65 ft from the resource area. E. Cross believes that loaming and reseeding must take place immediately and silt fence must stay until grass is established. Jute net or hay mulch shall be used if done not in the growing season.

S. Moreau motions for negative determination, D. Beach seconds; all in favor

Discussion Items: Bills, Minutes and Miscellaneous Matters

Minutes will be finalized next meeting.

H. McCann motions to pay bills, S. Moreau seconds, all in favor

- Emergency Certificates

- Enforcement actions

1. Hickory Hill Grant of Restriction acceptance

This forbids home owners to develop wetlands in the future.

S. Moreau motions to accept, D. Beach seconds; all in favor

H. McCann will sign with the notary

2. Cushing & Sons Enforcement Order

S. Moreau motions to raitfy, D. Beach seconds, all in favor

- Certificates of Compliance

1. 33 Dogwood Dr

S. Moreau would like to hold off until the lawn is stabilized. H. McCann agrees with this. D. Lamb also agrees to hold off. J. Clements would like to wait.

H. McCann motions to wait, S. Moreau seconds, all in favor

2. 37 Magnolia Ln

S. Moreau motions to issue partial, H. McCann seconds

- Extensions

- Chap 61A – Rural St

2 acres removed from 15.7 acres. E. Cross does not feel like this is a project she has the bandwidth to take on right now. The Commission voted to recommend the Board of Selectmen do not exercise their right of first refusal.

- New Business –

1. Grant submissions and updates

E. Cross discusses Masstrails grant. If funded, the whole rail trail will be surveyed, a trestle bridge will be assessed, potential trail and treadwork, all permitting costs, trail signs, and TIP funding. The BOS meeting went well with discussing the grant.

H. McCann motions to support submission of grant, S. Moreau seconds, all in favor.

2. National Grid Notice

3. Discussion on updating bylaws

The storm water by law must be updated to comply with the MS4 permit. The bylaw must be changed at town meeting, the regulations can be changed at a conservation commission public hearing. The deadline is February 19th.

H. McCann motions to adjourn 8:45 pm, S. Moreau seconds; all in favor

NEXT MEETING Monday, February 10th, 2020