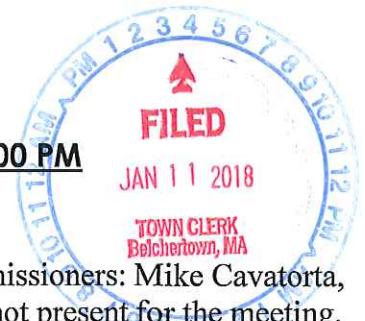


CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

Monday December 18, 2017 Town Hall, Room 101, 7:00 PM

Meeting Minutes



Chairman David Haines called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Present were Commissioners: Mike Cavatorta, Eric Wojtowicz, Jon Clements and John Henry. Commissioner Edward Knight was not present for the meeting. LeeAnne Connolly, Conservation Administrator, was present for the meeting. Conservation Clerk, Michele Nowak was present for the meeting.

7:15 Notice of Intent, Cont. – 67 Metacomet St., dock installation, DEP #104-1020, Map 103, Lot #51.00, Jung Lee, applicant. The applicant requested a continuance. M. Cavatorta motioned to continue until Feb 26th 2018, E. Wojtowicz seconded. The motion passed unanimously. (5:0). There was no discussion on this matter.

7:30 Notice of Intent, Cont. - 87 Metacomet St., house additions & garage, DEP #104-1024, Map 104, Lot #33.00, David Fuhrmann, applicant. The applicant requested a continuance until January 8th, 2018. M. Cavatorta motioned to continue, with the applicant's permission, to January 8th, E. Wojtowicz seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5:0). There was no discussion on this matter.

Partial Certificate of Compliance – 18 Dogwood Dr., DEP #104-863, Map 238, Lot #3.48 (AQ), Jean Duquette, applicant. L. Connolly conducted the site visit and reported that the lot is stable and is not under the Commission's jurisdiction as it's not in the Buffer Zone. J. Clements motioned to issue a Partial Certificate of Compliance, M. Cavatorta seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5:0).

Certificate of Compliance – 155 Bay Rd., DEP #104-1013, Map 230, Lot #31.00, Universal Forest Products, applicant. L. Connolly conducted the site visit. The stormwater berm is in and a As-Built plan was received. L. Connolly recommended issuing the COC. J. Henry motioned to issue a Certificate of Compliance, J. Clements seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5:0).

Partial Certificate of Compliance – 30 Brandywine Dr., DEP #XG, Map 225, Lot #19.00 (27), Atty. Michele Testa, applicant. L. Connolly recommended release from the Subdivision Order of Conditions from the Briarwood Subdivision issued in 1979 as the lot is well established and stable. M. Cavatorta motioned to issue a Partial Certificate of Compliance from the subdivision OOC, J. Clements seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5:0).

Discussion Items:

- ✦ Bills – The Commission voted unanimously, (5:0), to pay the bills.
- ✦ Minutes – The Commission voted unanimously, (5:0) to approve the 11/27/17 draft minutes as amended.
- ✦ Miscellaneous Matters – None.
- ✦ LAND Grant Award- Mader Town Forest- 86 acres – The Commission was notified that Belchertown did get the LAND Grant for \$243,636.00 from EOEEA. M. Cavatorta motioned to accept the grant monies and to sign the project agreements, J. Henry seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5:0).
- ✦ Emergency Certification – Poole Rd. Beaver Dam Lowering, Tri-lakes & DPW, applicants. There is a beaver dam at the outlet for Lake Metacomet in Bachelor Brook. This is an ongoing problem. L. Connolly conducted the site visit with Tri-Lakes Association representatives. The location is off of Poole Road. DPW petitioned for the Emergency Certification because Lake Metacomet's water level was too high and was flooding adjacent roadways, wells and threatening neighborhood leach fields. A Beaver Deceiver will be installed in Spring 2018 and the beavers may be trapped and removed from the area. J. Henry motioned to ratify the Emergency Certification, M. Cavatorta seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5:0).

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Discussion Items, Cont.:

- ✦ Chapter 61A Removal - Bardwell Street, 1.761 acres, Map 272, Lot #28.00 (G), Carol & Melanie Spellman, owners. L. Connolly informed the Commission that the sales price is \$65K. Initially M. Cavatorta motioned to exercise their right of first refusal but after in depth discussions M. Cavatorta retracted his motion and the Commission agreed to continue this discussion to a meeting after a procedure checklist is presented to the Commission for additional review.
- ✦ Chapter 61B Removal – 86 Amherst Rd., 5 acres, Map 226, Lot #22.00, Michelle & Nathan Stewart, owners. L. Connolly provided background information to the Commission and explained that the applicants want to take 5 acres out of Chapter 61B because they are trying to refinance only; they're not selling the property. J. Henry motioned to accept removal, J. Clements seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5:0).
- ✦ New Business – The Commission was notified that an Ad will be in the next edition of the Sentinel for a new Conservation Commission member .
- ✦ Order of Conditions - Extension Request, South Liberty St., DEP #104-965, Robert VanZandt, owner. L. Connolly conducted the site visit with Paul Adzima. The current Order expires in 11/2018. The Commission discussed the length of extension. The Commission wants to see the restoration work to proceed. M. Cavatorta motioned to extend the Order of Conditions for 1 year, E. Wojtowicz seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5:0).
- ✦ ANR Plan- Michael Sears Rd., Estate of Joseph D'Aguiar, owner. The Commission reviewed the ANR plan and a standard letter will be sent to the applicant.
- ✦ ANR Plan- Shea Ave., Kathleen McCollum, James & Patricia Barry, owners. The Commission reviewed the ANR plan and a standard letter will be sent to the applicant.
- ✦ ANR Plan- North Liberty & Bardwell St., Carol & Melanie Spellman, owners. The Commission reviewed the ANR plan and a standard letter will be sent to the applicant.
- ✦ ANR Plan- Old Enfield Rd., Daniel & Susan Stebbins, owners. The Commission reviewed the ANR plan and a standard letter will be sent to the applicant.
- ✦ ANR Plan- Amherst Rd., Robert & Susan Martin, owners. The Commission reviewed the ANR plan and a standard letter will be sent to the applicant.
- ✦ ANR Plan- North Washington St., Bell Property Corp., owner. The Commission reviewed the ANR plan and a standard letter will be sent to the applicant.
- ✦ Christmas Party – The Christmas party was to be held at the adjourning of this meeting.

7:55 PM J. Clements motioned to adjourn, M. Cavatorta seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5:0).

NEXT MEETING Monday, January 8, 2018