



Conservation Commission Minutes

Tuesday, May 14, 2019 Town Hall, Room 101, 7:00 PM

Present: David Haines, Jon Clements, Sabrina Moreau, Heather McCann, Eric Wojtowicz, Edward Knight, Associate member Mark Brownell, Associate member Doug Beach, Associate member Katerina Korolov; Conservation Administrator Erica Cross

Absent: David Lamb

Called to order at 7:05 by D. Haines

7:00pm

Discussion Items: Bills, Minutes and Miscellaneous Matters

Bills approved: all in favor

4/22 minutes approved; all in favor

- 146 S. Liberty St. Wetland Replication Discussion

There were some concerns raised around the placement of wetland flag 15. There was a discussion lead by H. McCann on legal implications of converting wetlands. The area for replication is considered upland. S. Moreau inquires if the replication area counts as the required 1:1 replacement. Currently, they are a little bit short (164 square feet) of the requirement. Conservation Commission is awaiting new plans by Don Frydryk in which it will be important to see if the replication will affect septic or well installation in the buffer. The next step will be to issue an enforcement order to require an additional 164 square feet to the replication.

S. Moreau motions to issue the enforcement order; E. Wojtowicz seconded; all in favor.

- Request for Certificates of Compliance

1. Woods Edge Subdivision – DEP# 104-759 BCC# 05-42

E. Cross thought site looked stable, but needs proof that the storm water maintenance plan has been recorded on deed. Certificate of compliance is not issued due to basins requiring mowing and other maintenance.

2. 32 Magnolia Lane- DEP# 104-863, BCC# 08-25

E. Cross says lawn looks stable. There was substantial discussion regarding issuing certificates of compliance vs. partial certificates of compliance.

E. Wojtowicz motioned to issue a partial certificate of compliance; S. Moreau seconded; all in favor

3. 263 Gulf Road – DEQE# 104-0142; DEP#104-0939 BCC# 13-17

E. Cross has received a letter from Board of Health indicating septic wells were installed up to code.

S. Moreau motioned to issue certificate of compliance; H. McCann seconded; all in favor

- Emergency Certificates

1. 110 Munsell St. – failed drainage pipe replacement

This is for an in kind pipe replacement because the failed pipe is flooding their basement.

J. Clements motions to ratify emergency certificate; E. Knight seconded; all in favor

2. 122 Federal St. – failed culvert replacement

This is for the Sunoco Gas station that is experiencing flooding. The pipe has corroded and is no longer draining. The adjacent wetland is being affected.

D. Beach recused himself and S. Moreau recused herself.

H. McCann motions to ratify emergency certificate; E. Knight seconded; all in favor

3. 19 Mountain View Dr. – removal of diseased trees threatening house

This property was built near a regulated drainage ditch that now acts as a wetland. The house was built according to plan.

S. Moreau motions to ratify emergency certificate; E. Wojtowicz seconded; all in favor

- Annual re-appointment recommendations

E. Wojtowicz resigns from conservation commission as of tonight. E. Wojtowicz motions to recommend D. Beach to take his position; J. Clements seconded; all in favor

- Letter of Support for Moonlit Farm UMASS 319 Grant

There is a new owner of the horse farm that is applying for a grant that will enable best practices.

- Holland Glen work, budget and timeline

We have the funding for parking and trail blazing, but we need to fundraise for tread work. Decision to focus on trail and parking, and accomplish tread work after.

- Enforcement actions

There is a property on South Washington St across Mill St. (mid 400s) discharging.

Check construction entrance at 269 Barrett St.

- New Business

J. Clements motions to adjourn; H. McCann seconded; all in favor

NEXT MEETING Monday, June 10, 2019