CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING
Monday, May 15, 2018 Town Hall, Room 101, 7:05 PM

Meeting Minutes

Chairman David Haines called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. Present were Commissioners: Mike Cavatorta, Sabrina Moreau, Eric Wojtowicz, Jon Clements and Edward Knight. Commissioner John Henry was not present for the meeting. Conservation Administrator Erica Cross was present for the meeting. Conservation Clerk, Michele Nowak, was present for the meeting. Associate member David Lamb was not present for the meeting.

7:05 Notice of Intent Con’d– DEP #104-1034 – Requested Continuance to June 11, 2018 56 Gold St., Map 207, Lot 23.00 -Proposed Single Family Home & Septic Repair, Dan Waskiewicz. There was no discussion on this matter. M. Cavatorta motioned to continue this hearing per applicant’s request, S. Moreau seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (6:0).

Notice of Intent Con’d– DEP # 104-1035 - Requested Continuance to June 11, 2018 122 Federal St., Map 108, Lot 25.00 - Proposed Expansion of Convenience Store, Vrajeshkumar Patel. The Commission was notified that the applicant had a change of staffing and new plans will be forthcoming. There was no discussion of substance on this project. E. Wojtowicz motioned to continue per applicant’s request, M. Cavatorta seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (6:0).

Notice of Intent Con’d – DEP # 104-1036 - Requested Continuance to May 29, 2018 87 Metacomet St., Map 104, Lot 33.00 - Proposed Water Ski Course, David Fuhrman. There was no discussion of substance on this project. S. Moreau motioned to continue per the applicant’s request, M. Cavatorta seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (6:0).

7:06 Request for Determination of Applicability - 296 Daniel Shay's Hwy., Map 226, Lot 52.00 - Repair Septic System, Vision Investment Properties, LLC. The applicant was not present for the meeting. E. Cross conducted the site visit. Wetland flags were confirmed and all work is outside the 50 ft. Buffer Zone however it was noted there was no silt fence. J. Clements motioned to issue a Negative Determination with the conditions of adding both a silt fence and hay bales prior to the start of work, E. Wojtowicz seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (6:0)

Discussion Items:

- Bills: Mylar plans for recording from Sherman & Frydryk for Holland Glen acquisition. Bills were not finalized at this meeting.
- Minutes – The Commission voted unanimously, (6:0) to approve both the 4/9/18 and 4/23/18 draft minutes as amended.
- Miscellaneous Matters - None
- Enforcement Orders: Allen Street Gravel Pit – James Hayward. Commissioner S. Moreau recused herself. It was noted that there had been a small amount of attempted compliance however Mr. Hayward remains out of compliance. Kathy Hayward sent E. Cross a
generic letter which was discussed with the Commission. D. Haines advocated for attempting to conduct another site visit with Mr. Hayward, his wetland consultant and engineer in order to encourage Mr. Hayward to comply. The Commission concluded that an administrative hearing should be scheduled to discuss potential fines. A letter will be sent stating that an Administrative Hearing would be scheduled for the next meeting on May 29, 2018 as the detailed requirements for compliance had already been made clear through both the Enforcement Order and a follow-up letter. D. Haines will also attempt to coordinate voluntary compliance by working with Mr. Hayward. The motion to hold an Administrative hearing passed unanimously, (5:0:1).


Expiring Commissioner Terms – The Board of Selectmen requested notices of re-upping. Commissioners voicing interest in continuing were D. Haines, J. Clements, M. Cavatorta, and D. Lamb (as an Associate member). L. Leduc’s seat will be allowed to expire. A letter will be issued to the Board of Selectmen with the Commission’s recommendations.

New Business - Enforcement Order – behind Grela Terrace and associated with 644 Federal St. – evidence of driving on a footpath within 50 ft. from a Vernal Pool. Issued a Cease & Desist from driving on it and requested a restoration plan to restore trees and plants already cut down and addressed a fence that was installed. The Commission pointed out that some permitting had previously been done on that site and that there may not be a violation.

New Business - M. Cavatorta brought up for discussion the debris found in Lake Holland from dredging work in the channel. The hydro rake unearthed debris in sediment. The Commission discussed options.

8:11 PM J. Clements motioned to adjourn, Mike Cavatorta seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (6:0).

NEXT MEETING Tuesday, May 29, 2018