

MENDON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

20 Main Street Mendon, Massachusetts 01756

Meeting Minutes of September 24, 2020

This meeting was held in-person at Mendon Town Hall, and remotely via publicly accessible video and teleconference as a precautionary measure against the COVID-19 Coronavirus. All votes were taken by roll call.

The remote meeting began at 7:09 PM. The Clerk reviewed the protocols for conducting remote meetings.

Members present: Damon Tinio, Mike Ammendolia, Peter Coffin, Bill Aten, Tim Aicardi, Carl Hommel

Presenters joining the meeting: Fred Lapham (Shea Engineering), Dale McKinnon (Guerriere & Halnon), Joe Onorato (Water and Wetland)

Chairman Tinio called the meeting to order at 7:12 pm.

Peter Coffin made a motion, seconded by Mike Ammendolia, to adopt the provision under MGL Ch. 100G, Section 9, to allow digital signatures on MA DEP forms to be recorded at the MA Registry of Deeds. Roll call vote: Carl Hommel: aye; Tim Aicardi: aye; Mike Ammendolia: aye; Peter Coffin: aye; Damon Tinio: aye. The motion passed unanimously.

At 7:15 PM the Commission opened the Public Hearing to consider Notices of Intent for **1 Taft Ave.** (DEP# 218-0801). Fred Lapham of Shea Engineering presented the plan. Peter Coffin made a motion, seconded by Mike Ammendolia, to approve the plan with the condition that a revised plan depicting the approximate location of outflow from the culvert that passes underneath Taft Avenue on or near the property. Roll call vote: Carl Hommel: aye; Tim Aicardi: aye; Mike Ammendolia: aye; Peter Coffin: aye; Damon Tinio: aye. The motion passed unanimously.

At 7:30 PM the Commission opened the Public Hearing to consider Notices of Intent for **49 Milford St.** (DEP# 218-0795). Dale McKinnon of Guerriere & Halnon presented the plan. The Commission asked for revision to the plan to show more detail of the water-quality swale, the impervious and pervious surface areas, and wetland areas on the property. A site walk for Commissioners and the applicants was scheduled for Saturday, October 10, 2020 at 8:00 AM. Commissioners asked for the site to marked with monuments to locate the driveway boundaries, the four corners of the parking lot, and the swale under discussion. Mike Ammendolia made a motion, seconded by Peter Coffin, to continue the hearing to a meeting on October 15th at 7:30 PM. Roll call vote: Carl Hommel: aye; Tim Aicardi: aye; Mike Ammendolia: aye; Peter Coffin: aye; Damon Tinio: aye. The motion passed unanimously.

The Commission discussed work being done at **29 Hartford Ave. West** with John Nenart, who reported on the history of the project and the rationale for erosion control measures taken to date. He submitted a Request for Determination of Applicability for the Commission to consider during the next meeting.

Mike Ammendolia made a motion, seconded by Peter Coffin, to accept the Meeting Minutes of August 27, 2020 as written. Roll call vote: Carl Hommel: aye; Tim Aicardi: aye; Mike Ammendolia: aye; Peter Coffin: aye; Damon Tinio: aye. The motion passed unanimously.

Joe Onorato of Water and Wetland, LLC presented information on treatment options his company could offer for improving the water quality of Lake Nipmuc. Mike Ammendolia stressed the need for assessing the entire lake and developing a long-term plan for maintaining water quality, including public education on contributing factors. The Clerk was instructed to provide recent water testing results so Water and Wetland can offer recommendations at an upcoming meeting.

At 9:19 PM Mike Ammendolia made a motion, seconded by Peter Coffin, to adjourn. Roll call vote: Carl Hommel: aye; Tim Aicardi: aye; Mike Ammendolia: aye; Peter Coffin: aye; Damon Tinio: aye. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes prepared by Bill McHenry, clerk