

Town Of Mendon Conservation Commission 20 Main Street

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Meeting Date: 23-09-28

Meeting Location: Hybrid Teams / 2nd Floor Meeting Room Minutes Approved: 24-03-28

Members Present: Carl Hommel, Bob Sweet, Lea Whiting, Tim Aicardi, Peter Coffin, Mike Ammendolia

Members Remote: Susan Cahalan

Members Absent:

Recording: https://youtu.be/T39HpCvwxSo?si=FyYV6xAG25-IGq8e

Others Present:
Others Remote: 3

Quorum met at 7:05pm and the recording started. The meeting is called to order by Chairman Carl Hommel and the Conservation Commission members introduce themselves.

Correspondence

- From Jane Belleville, about removing 31 Washington St from Chapter 61
- A letter was received from Attorney David Bertonazzi, regarding an Order of Conditions from 1987 for 7 Resthaven Rd. A discussion was held by the Committee, the letter was shown, and it was determined that Committee Member Susan will work on generating paperwork for signatures.
- Mass Open Space is giving out grants for neighborhood outreach. There is a Zoom meeting on Wednesday scheduled and Chair Carl and Committee Member Lea have signed up to attend.

Public Hearings begin at 7:15pm

None

Close Public Hearings

Other Agenda Items

1 Uxbridge Rd: DEP#218-0845 review and sign Order of Conditions. Committee members will sign the OOC during the meeting and put it back in the mailbox to get the original with signatures back to the owner.

Reviewed status of hiring a new admin/agent

Mendon Phase 2 Water Study

Review two RDAs, and respond to request by Town staff to engage a Wetlands Scientist Consultant, to review proposed tree and brush removal plans for the two sites discussed.

10 Old Taft Avenue

Discussion with Gregory Lambert regarding construction of a stone wall and work performed within the protected buffer zone of Lake Nipmuc, and take any action required. Greg is waiting for his site engineer to produce a site plan.

Lake Nipmuc Task Force

Review post-treatment survey report from Water & Wetland, and take any action required. Committee member Bob described the boat tour that he took with Water and Wetlands. A map of the lake where the lily pads were located, was shown. It was decided that they were not invasive and do not grow fast. Water & Wetland determined that it is not an immediate plan to treat right away. Questions and discussions regarding chemical treatment, raking, lily pads, leeches and weeds were talked about.

33 Mowry Street – Alfred Auty said that there is a drain coming off his property and downhill water runoff. He is concerned about contaminated runoff. MIP Map was shown of the property and discussed. Committee member Lea spoke about her observations. It was suggested that a Professional water testing company be hired and have the water quality tested and see what the results are. A Conservation Committee member suggested a site walk of the property. It was discussed to look at the files for 29 Mowry Street and status of enforcement order.

2022 Conservation Restriction reports

Continue discussion of four CR monitoring reports prepared by Metacomet, and take any action required. Tom Bik was in attendance and was asking about a Moonajian Farm update. Committee member Tim gave an update as he spoke with the owner of the property and discussed the issues. An email will be sent to the property owner, with a copy of the report, to review the contract he made. A plan will be made to call him in to attend a Conservation Meeting.

Review ConComm finances – no new bills

Training budget

Review of completed and upcoming classes was displayed and discussed

Review any activity since last meeting

Building Permits

- RESO-23-252 58 Hartford Ave West discuss whether jurisdictional requesting a building permit. Homeowners attended the meeting. A map was shown of the home and wetlands. The homeowners explained the work that will be done regarding putting on a dormer. A drive-by was done by Mike Ammendolia and no problem was seen. The hold will be released so the work can continue.
 - RES0-23-262 75 Blackstone St, OOC signed in March
 - RES0-23-263 35 Mowry St, not jurisdictional
 - RESO-23- 274 49 North Ave, not jurisdictional

Jason Kuter – no feedback

Chair Carl makes a motion to adjourn, so moved by Bob, seconded by Susan passed unanimously, 8:22 pm.