

*Damon Tinio, Chairman
Peter Coffin, Vice Chairman*



*Michael Ammendolia
William Aten
Timothy Aicardi*

TOWN OF MENDON

Conservation Commission
Mendon Town Hall
Mendon, Massachusetts 01756

Meeting Minutes of July 30, 2015

Attending: Chairman D. Tinio, Vice-Chairman Peter Coffin, William Aten, Timothy Aicardi, Michael Ammendolia

Chairman D. Tinio called the meeting to order at 7:34 PM.

The Commission reviewed two Requests for Certificates of Compliance:

- The first was for 5 Strawberry Lane. The work regulated by the Order of Conditions was completed. **M. Ammendolia made a motion, seconded by T. Aicardi to approve the Certificate of Compliance for 5 Strawberry Lane. The motion carried unanimously.**
- The second was for 40 Hartford Ave East. The work regulated by the Order of Conditions was completed. An as-built plan is on file. **M. Ammendolia made a motion, seconded by T. Aicardi to approve the Certificate of Compliance for 40 Hartford Ave East. The motion carried unanimously.**

The Commission discussed the use of a Lakemaide machine with Mark and Pat Benoit. The Commission will consult with DEP to see if they approve of this machine and how they permit its use.

Chairman D. Tinio opened the Notice of Intent hearing for 19 North Avenue for replacement of the septic system at 7:45 PM. Fred Lapham of Shea Engineering presented the project to the Commission. The work will take place partially within the 100 foot buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland. Erosion control will be utilized in the rear of the home which is the lowest elevation. **Vice-Chairman P. Coffin made a motion, seconded by M. Ammendolia to approve the Notice of Intent for 19 North Avenue as presented and issue the Order of Conditions. The motion carried unanimously.**

Vice-Chairman P. Coffin made and M. Ammendolia seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes dated July 16, 2015. The motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the Notice of Intent to Sell letter for land on Miscoe Road dated 07/21/2015. W. Aten would like more information about whether the land has potential to become athletic fields. **W. Aten made a motion, seconded by M. Ammendolia to table this discussion item until the August 13, 2015 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.**

Chairman D. Tinio opened the Notice of Intent hearing for 31 Hartford Avenue West for a single family home at 8:00 PM. William Halsing of Land Planning, Inc. presented the project to the Commission. Vice-Chairman P. Coffin abstained from this hearing. The proposed home and associated utilities do not fall within the 25 foot no disturb zone. Slight grading is proposed within the 50 foot no build zone. The work is proposed within the 100 foot buffer zone of a wetland. Silt fence is proposed as erosion control. Chairman D. Tinio requested that straw bales be added on the upper side of the proposed silt fence for added protection. He also requested that a sump hole set up be utilized during the digging for the well. These will be added to the special conditions in the Order of Conditions. Paul Goguen, an abutter at 41 Hartford Avenue West, stated that his leach field is marked incorrectly on the plans, the abutters list from the Assessor's Office is incomplete, and numerous frogs and salamanders migrate through this property. The Commission stated that the Assessor's Office would be the place to direct his concerns about the abutter list because they are generated there. The Commission asked W. Halsing to double check the leach field location and stake everything in the field for a site walk. **M. Ammendolia made a motion, seconded by T. Aicardi to continue the Notice of Intent hearing for 31 Hartford Avenue West until August 27, 2015 at 7:45 PM. W. Aten and Chairman D. Tinio agreed. Vice-Chairman P. Coffin abstained.**

The Commission discussed the work at 6 Nipmuc Drive. Vice-Chairman P. Coffin, T. Aicardi, and Bob Poxon, the engineer for the project from Guerriere & Halnon walked the property. A wetland that was not included in the Notice of Intent was discovered with work completed, potentially within it. Vice-Chairman P. Coffin and T. Aicardi asked that this wetland be delineated by a professional. Vice-Chairman P. Coffin visited the site since the delineation was completed and does not agree with the placement of the flags. He also discussed the situation with Joseph Bellino at MassDEP who suggested placing an enforcement order on any work done within the newly discovered wetland and its 100 foot buffer zone and ask the applicant to refile a new Notice of Intent. T. Aicardi said that they asked Bob Poxon to return to the next meeting with the wetland delineated on plans and suggested that they do not use an enforcement order but await the next meeting. Chairman D. Tinio said that he visited the site as well and did not see the water that Vice-Chairman P. Coffin sees outside of the newly flagged wetland area. The Commission decided to send a letter to Bob Poxon requesting the following documents and his presence at the August 13, 2015 Conservation Commission meeting: plans containing the newly delineated wetland, plans showing the previous, existing, and proposed conditions of the site, a copy of the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPP) that is to be kept available on site, and an explanation of how the drainage from the site will be handled.

The Commission reviewed Notices of Decision from the Zoning Board of Appeals for: a wireless tower at 7 Harrington Street, a wireless tower at 101 Blackstone Street, and dimension regulations at 127 Uxbridge Road.

M. Ammendolia made and T. Aicardi seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 PM. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Leah Cameron, Administrative Clerk

Documents Discussed located in the Conservation Commission Office:

Requests for Certificates of Compliance & Certificates of Compliance for: 5 Strawberry Ln & 40 Hartford Ave E

Notice of Intent & Order of Conditions for: 19 North Ave

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Notice of Intent to Sell letter dated 07/21/2015 for land on Miscoe Rd

Notice of Intent for: 31 Hartford Ave W

Notices of Decision from ZBA for: 7 Harrington St, 101 Blackstone St, 127 Uxbridge Rd