

*Damon Tinio, Chairman
Peter Coffin, Vice Chairman*



*Michael Ammendolia
William Aten
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TOWN OF MENDON

Conservation Commission
Mendon Town Hall
Mendon, Massachusetts 01756

Meeting Minutes of August 13, 2015

Attending: Chairman D. Tinio, Vice-Chairman Peter Coffin, William Aten

Chairman D. Tinio called the meeting to order at 7:53 PM.

Chairman D. Tinio opened the Request for Determination of Applicability hearing for 8 Asylum Street for a sewage disposal system repair at 7:54 PM. The new system will be installed in the same location as the current system, within the existing lawn area. The system will be in-ground and will not be raised. Erosion control will be utilized. **Vice-Chairman P. Coffin made a motion, seconded by W. Aten, to issue a negative determination of applicability for 8 Asylum Street. The motion carried unanimously.**

The Commission discussed the work at 6 Nipmuc Drive with the applicant, Kevin Meehan, his engineer, Bob Poxon of Guerriere & Halnon, and Scott Goddard, PWS. S. Goddard explained that the wetlands were delineated according to what is currently available. The delineation does not determine the wetland boundaries that existed pre-construction. He said that delineation near the rip rap would require further excavation and testing. He said that mulch is likely in the wetlands. K. Meehan, B. Poxon, and Vice-Chairman P. Coffin had a heated conversation about the enforcement order that was issued for the project. Vice-Chairman P. Coffin issued an enforcement order per the advice of DEP in order to have the Commission's requests documented in writing and to go through the formal process involved with resolving a situation where wetlands have been filled. K. Meehan said that he believed he is being singled out by Vice-Chairman P. Coffin, that P. Coffin violated his civil rights, and he threatened to sue P. Coffin. K. Meehan said that the way he understands the law, the whole Commission has to issue an enforcement order. Vice-Chairman P. Coffin pointed out that the form allows one Commissioner to issue an enforcement order in an emergency situation and that the Commission would vote whether to ratify it or not at their next meeting. Vice-Chairman P. Coffin expressed concerns about the runoff from the new parking area. B. Poxon said that some is infiltrated through the reprocessed asphalt material. A few plans were proposed going forward: pulling the rip rap back and removing the wood chips with S. Goddard present to determine what is underneath or adding wetland plants to the mulched area to reestablish wetland vegetation. W. Aten and Chairman D. Tinio were of the opinion to fix the issues without bringing in machinery to make more of a mess to determine the precise wetland boundaries. Vice-Chairman P. Coffin agreed to go on a site walk with S. Goddard and requested a revised wetland delineation before mitigation plans were submitted. S. Goddard and B. Poxon agreed to create a proposed mitigation plan for the August 27, 2015 Conservation Commission meeting. **W. Aten made a motion, seconded by Chairman D. Tinio, to repeal the enforcement order that was placed on 6 Nipmuc Drive. Vice-Chairman P. Coffin was opposed.**

The Commission reviewed the Notice of Intent to Sell letter for land on Miscoe Road dated 07/21/2015. Per discussions at the last meeting, W. Aten researched whether the land has potential to become athletic fields. This was not found to be feasible. The Commission determined that it is not interested in the purchase of this land.

The Commission reviewed a BOS Routing Slip for Clough & Miscoe Schools for a common vic license renewal. The Commission had no issues with the routing slip. The slip was signed by Chairman D. Tinio.

W. Aten made and Vice-Chairman P. Coffin seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes dated July 30, 2015. The motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed a Jurisdictional Project Determination for 3 Carby Drive for a 16x40 foundation. The project was determined to have no impact on wetlands. **All Commissioners agreed with this determination.**

Vice-Chairman P. Coffin made and W. Aten seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 PM. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Leah Cameron, Administrative Clerk

Documents Discussed located in the Conservation Commission Office:

Request for Determination of Applicability & Determination of Applicability for 8 Asylum Street

Enforcement Order, Wetland Border Report dated 07/29/15, Isolated Land Subject to Flooding Evaluation, Stormwater Report dated 08/07/15, Existing Conditions Plan of Land dated 08/07/15, As-Built with Wetlands Plan of Land dated 08/07/15 for 6 Nipmuc Drive

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

BOS Routing Slip for Clough & Miscoe Schools

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JPD for 3 Carby Drive