



MENDON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

20 Main Street
Mendon, Massachusetts 01756

Meeting Minutes of October 13, 2016

Attending: Peter Coffin, Carl Hommel, William Aten, Michael Ammendolia

Vice-Chairperson P. Coffin called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

C. Hommel made a motion, seconded by M. Ammendolia, to accept the meeting minutes of September 22, 2016. The motion carried unanimously.

The Commission approved and signed the following Jurisdictional Project Determinations: 3 Mowry St – 16x22 shed.

The Commission discussed a demolition permit for a single family house at 52 Uxbridge Road with Tom Hackenson. He will utilize erosion control and notify the Commission once it is installed. The Commission had no issues.

The Commission scheduled the following meeting dates: November 10, December 1 & 15.

The Commission opened the public hearing for a Request for Determination of Applicability for a single family house at 10 Puffer Drive. Travis Brown of Andrews Survey & Engineering, Inc. presented the project to the Commission. The project consists of a driveway and house within the buffer zone to an isolated wetland. The town bylaw was not in place when the initial subdivision was approved. M. Ammendolia made a motion, seconded by W. Aten, to approve the plans as presented with a condition that double erosion control be utilized down slope of the well. The motion carried unanimously.

Francis Irons of 81 Providence Street submitted an aquifer map to the Commission. He also presented a photo of a wood turtle, a species of special concern, which he found on his property.

The Commission opened the Notice of Intent hearing for a septic system at 5 Puffer Drive. Travis Brown of Andrews Survey & Engineering, Inc. presented the project to the Commission. M. Ammendolia made a motion, seconded by W. Aten, to approve the plans as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

The Commission opened the Notice of Intent hearing continuation for 7 and 11 Puffer Drive. Travis Brown of Andrews Survey & Engineering, Inc. discussed the projects with the Commission. Revised plans were submitted. M. Ammendolia made a motion, seconded by W. Aten, to approve the plans as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

The Commission opened the Notice of Intent hearing for 30 Cape Road for a 3.3 megawatt solar photovoltaic facility. John Mancini of BlueWave Capital, Adam Christie of Meridian Associates, and Andrea Kendall of LEC Environmental presented the project to the Commission. The proposed work remains outside of the 25 foot no disturb zone except for the access road crossing a culvert. The culvert will be repaired and enlarged. The wetland alteration will be replicated. The northern access point that was previously discussed with the Commission proved to be unfeasible due to road width requirements in town. Soil that is removed for the access road will be reused on site. M. Ammendolia had concerns about runoff from the segment of road that was proposed at a 10% slope. Sandra McSweeney, an abutter, asked about the proximity to the Charles River. Andrea Kendall explained that the work is proposed outside of the protected riverfront area, erosion control will be utilized, and the site will be stabilized once the work is complete. Andrea Kendall explained that a geotechnical crew went through the wetland on site on Monday and altered a 10' x 60' section. BlueWave Capital is proposing to restore the area with plantings. The Commission scheduled a site walk for Saturday, October 22, 2016 at 9 AM. M. Ammendolia made a motion, seconded by W. Aten, to continue the public hearing for 30 Cape Road to October 27, 2016 at 8 PM. The motion carried unanimously.



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M. Ammendolia made a motion, seconded by W. Aten, to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 PM. The motion carried unanimously.

Documents Discussed located in the Conservation Commission Office:

September 22, 2016 meeting minutes

JPD for: 3 Mowry St

RDA & DoA for 10 Puffer Drive

Mendon Aquifer Map

NOI & OOCs for 5 Puffer Drive

NOIs & OOCs for 7 & 11 Puffer Drive

NOI for 30 Cape Road