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TOWN OF MENDON

**Conservation Commission
Mendon Town Hall
20 Main Street
Mendon, Massachusetts 01756**

Meeting Minutes of January 4, 2007

Attending: T. Aicardi, D. Tinio, M. Ammendolia and William Aten; T. Jones, Developer; B. Younes, 54 Blackstone St.; R. O'Grady, 205 Providence St.; C. Ghelli, 230 West St.; M. Kampersal, 387 South St., Holliston; and R. Sweet, 50 Milford St.

Meeting was called to order at 7:50 p.m. when a quorum was reached.

Members reviewed T. Jones plan to extend the backyard of 54 Blackstone Street. The owner would like to plant fruit and regular trees. The lawn is mowed to the edge of the wetland and is now growing tall. Flags are still in place from when the house was constructed per Shea Engineering. Members requested he keep a 25-foot no-disturb zone from the vegetation line. Owner is to stake the 25-foot line and keep heavy equipment out of the buffer. Owner will have a slight slope towards the buffer. D. Tinio made and W. Aten seconded a motion to approve the plan as presented. The motion carried unanimously. The developer only requested an informal plan review; therefore, D. Willoughby will type a formal determination.

D. Tinio, W. Aten and T. Aicardi signed the Complete Certificate of Compliance for 51 Blackstone Street. It will be issued pending T. Aicardi's site visit.

T. Aicardi signed the BOS License Routing Slip for George's Surf n Turf.

Mr. Sweet requested to record the discussion regarding his property at 50 Milford Street. Members allowed it and M. Ammendolia requested a copy of the tape. Abutters introduced themselves and the board invited them to voice their concerns. Mr. Sweet said he has been trying to meet the requirements for renovating the cranberry bog. He bought the property because of the potential it offered. Half of the bog belongs to an abutter. Mr. Sweet said he did speak with Pat Ghelli and she looked favorably upon the renovation. Mr. Sweet said he has been open, honest and willing to explain what he was doing if asked by a neighbor.

According to Mr. Sweet the area between 10 feet from the property line and the abutters' property has not been touched. Vines have been ordered and will be received in March. They will be planted by May. Riprap has been installed. M. Ammendolia voiced his concern that the abutters will not have any liability for work that is being done or left undone. Mr. Sweet said, "I will not hold abutters responsible for any actions taken in creating the cranberry bog." The dirt dam was washed away by rain. Instead of having to always repair it, Mr. Sweet installed a cement dam. Mr. Sweet noted that there is a brass tag where the dam is located on his property. The Conservation Commission will require an as-built drawing to make sure everything is done according to the plan. Mr. Sweet voiced concern over the cost. Members showed him the plan on file for his property and told him that the engineer just has to update the existing plan to show work done since the date of that plan. Mr. Sweet gave abutters permission to go on his property to see the progress. An abutter asked about what happens if Mr. Sweet moves and then the dam is not naturally controlled. Mr. Sweet explained that there is an overflow. Mr. Sweet referenced Dan Lenthall's letter that noted 310 CMR 10.53 (3) (g) limited project for wildlife/farm ponds. *Action: D. Willoughby to find the regulation in order for board to determine whether the BRP WW 13 still needs to be submitted to the DEP.* T. Aicardi reported that P. Coffin had performed a site visit and Mr. Sweet has been working on maintaining the slopes.

Members reviewed and signed the Determination of Applicability for the construction of a barn at 1 Calumet Circle. There will be no wetland impact. T. Aicardi made and D. Tinio seconded a motion to give S. Kimball a negative determination for 1 Calumet Circle. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Tinio reported that he is waiting to receive a phone call from K. Welch who requested to build a 24'-by 26'-addition with a foundation. D. Tinio took the applicant's cell phone number to arrange a site visit.

T. Aicardi to perform site visit at 2 Cadman Road. The applicant wants to clear some nuisance vegetation near the detention pond.

D. Willoughby informed members that B. Hawkes called to say the cause of the high level of the lake was not due to a beaver dam but to a blocked spillway. Members did not think this was likely. D. Tinio reported that he heard five or six beavers have been caught

D. Tinio made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the Conservation Commission meeting minutes of December 7, 2006. The motion carried unanimously.

Members agreed that everyone on Conservation Commission should register to attend the MACC Annual Environmental Conference scheduled for March 3, 2007. Action: D. Willoughby will take care of the paperwork.

Members read the e-mail from M. Garagliano regarding the gas spill at the Xtra Mart on Route 16. *Actions: D. Willoughby to invite Chief Horn to next Con. Com. meeting to discuss the procedure for informing the Conservation Commission of hazardous material spills that may potentially get into wetlands. D. Willoughby will also respond to M. Garagliano thanking her for informing the Commission of the incident so they can investigate. D. Willoughby will identify the DEP regulation that says when a spill has to be reported.*

Members agreed to the following meeting dates to be held on Thursdays:

February 8 & 22
March 8 & 22
April 12 & 26
May 10 & 24
June 7 & 21

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Administrative Clerk

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Meeting Minutes of January 25, 2007

Attending: T. Aicardi, D. Tinio, M. Ammendolia, P. Coffin and William Aten; A. Luby, 31 Madden Ave., Milford; Chief Horn; S. Smith, 188 Providence Road.

Meeting was called to order at 7:37 p.m. when a quorum was reached.

Members signed the negative Determination of Applicability for the nuisance vegetation treatment of Nipmuc Pond. Mr. Luby inquired into whether the lake could be treated no later than June 21 to accommodate people who stay at his lake house. *Action: D. Willoughby will contact Aquatic Control and see if this is acceptable to them and will notify Mr. Luby.*

Mr. Luby also asked about the continually high lake level. D. Tinio explained the removal of brush to allow better flow as well as the trapping of beavers in accordance with a permit has been done. The den is located at the beginning of the outlet.

7:52 p.m. T. Aicardi asked Chief Horn about the procedure when there is a gas spill in town. Chief Horn explained that the Fire Department mitigates immediately. In the case of the Xtra Mart spill barriers were put up to protect catch basins and the brook. Speedy Dry was put down. The DEP is notified and monitors the clean up. The clean up company takes over. The Chief reported that no gasoline got in the river and did not make it past the second catch basin. The DEP ordered borings below the catch basin. The gas delivery company pays for everything including material and personnel costs. Three hundred gallons of gasoline spilled. No more deliveries will be made until training has been done and he receives hazardous spill records. It was a different company that made the delivery than the one who was responsible for the spill last year. No more deliveries will be made when the facility is closed. A bell and lights outside and a light on a panel inside will be activated when a spill occurs. Chief Horn said he wanted pad locks on fuel tank and an attendant in the store needs to unlock the tank before filling. A float valve and another safety measure will be put in place. The DEP ordered that the clean up company would monitor the site for two years. Chief Horn will generate a written policy to notify the Conservation Commission, Board of Health and Administrative Assistant to the BOS in the event of a future spill. *Action: D. Willoughby to give Chief Horn a list of Conservation Commission members to be put on the contact list.* Chief. The Chief informed members that he did respond to M. Garagliano. The Chief plans to have a hazardous spill mock drill within one year that will involve the Conservation Commission, Board of Health and Administrative Assistant to the BOS.

8:15 p.m. Members reviewed and signed negative Determinations of Applicability for 68 Bates St. (24' X 26' addition) and 4 Morrison Drive (clear driveway).

8:16 p.m. T. Aicardi has not spoken to the owner of 2 Cadman Road yet. He will try to contact him.

8:17 p.m. D. Tinio to perform site visit to view replication area for issuance of Certification of Compliance.

8:20 p.m. Members reviewed and discussed Request for Extension Permit for Orders of Condition for Lot 4 Morrison Drive. D. Tinio made and M. Ammendolia seconded a motion to grant a two-year extension permit for the Order of Conditions for Lot 4 Morrison Drive. The motion carried unanimously.

T. Aicardi informed members that there is debris in the drainage easement the state has at 62 Cape Road. Roy Spindel owns the property. There is no wetland impact; however, D. Willoughby will ask K. Robertson's opinion as to whether the town has any jurisdiction.

8:30 p.m. S. Smith voiced her concern that the plans for the Bridlewood Village development can be changed. The Conservation Commission approved a six-lot subdivision. However, the developer is in land court because he wants to change it to a 12-house development. The Planning Board approved a nine-lot subdivision. Mrs. Smith is concerned because there is a cold-water fishery on the property. Six houses may not affect the water temperature but 12 might. Members assured her that the plans must be brought before the Commission again if they are changed in such a manner. *Action: D. Willoughby will see if the original Order of Conditions was recorded with the Registry of Deeds.*

8:50 p.m. Action: D. Willoughby to contact DEP Southeast Regional Circuit Rider to see his opinion on whether 310 CMR 10.53 (e) (g) exempts 50 Milford Street from having to file any paperwork with DEP.

M. Ammendolia made and P. Coffin seconded a motion to accept the Conservation Commission meeting minutes of January 4, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

Members agreed to the change their meeting dates from April 12th & 26th to April 5th and 19th. *Action: D. Willoughby to e-mail a list of scheduled meeting dates to members.*

P. Coffin informed members that he spoke with owner of Maple Farm Dairy. There was a small wetland silt was coming in. T. Aicardi explained that he reviewed the riding rink plan with Mike Salvatore. It involved cutting and filling. The silt fence was breached but Mike thought he would do more damage by going through the mud at the time. The area will be loamed and seeded; however, members were concerned about new erosion being created because of construction. *Action: D. Willoughby will invite M. Salvatore to next meeting to inquire about project.*

Members agreed to review draft of the Conservation Commissions Annual Report submittal to be discussed at next Con. Com. meeting.

Members reviewed fiscal year 2008 Budget Submittal. There was discussion regarding the price and extent of the weed treatment of Lake Nipmuc. Members would like a better understanding of how fee is established. *Action: D. Willoughby to invite representative from Aquatic Control to a future meeting.*

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Meeting Minutes of February 8, 2007

Attending: T. Aicardi, D. Tinio, M. Ammendolia, and P. Coffin; and M. Salvatore, contractor.

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Members signed negative Determinations of Applicability for 7 & 9 White Road, new construction and 126 Millville Road, 10' X 12' addition/breezeway.

7:45 p.m. M. Ammendolia made and D. Tinio seconded a motion to release the Certificate of Compliance for Lot 6 West Hill Road. The motion carried unanimously.

8:00 p.m. T. Aicardi spoke to the owner of 2 Cadman Road. He told him not to cut any cat-tails. Members signed the Negative Determination of Applicability. T. Aicardi informed members that the owner of 6 Warfield Road needs to stake the area he wishes to fill before a determination can be made.

8:15 p.m. M. Salvatore showed members the plan, which was done over the old subdivision plan, for a riding rink and arena at 79 North Avenue. Mr. Salvatore acknowledged that the 3-inch rainstorm in November 2006 blew out the hay bales, which were 200 feet from the bank of the river. The wetlands, buffer zones, riprap areas and stormwater management are marked on the plan. The arena will be 144' by 70 feet and the barn will be 136' by 44 feet.

Members read the read M. McCue's e-mail and attached RFP for the Fino property. Members agreed that the property might be more desirable if the 25 +/- acres that are zoned residential were rezoned commercial.

D. Tinio made and P. Coffin seconded a motion to buy 2 MACC Environmental Handbooks for Massachusetts Conservation Commissioners. The motion carried unanimously.

T. Aicardi informed members that he plans to meet with A. Tetreault to unblock an additional outlet on Lake Nipmuc that is blocked.

M. Ammendolia made and D. Tinio seconded a motion to accept the Conservation Commission meeting minutes of January 25, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Tinio made and M. Ammendolia seconded a motion to accept the 2006 Town Report submittal. The motion carried unanimously.

Members read the letter from Laura Tosches regarding a tree on town property behind her property on 28 Taft Avenue. She is concerned the tree is in such bad condition that it may fall on her house. The members gave their permission to remove the tree. *Action: D. Willoughby to forward L. Tosches' letter to the Tree Warden and copy the Board of Selectmen indicating it is a safety issue and should be addressed as soon as possible. She will copy the BOS.*

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:56 p.m.

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Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2007

Attending: T. Aicardi, D. Tinio, W. Aten, and P. Coffin; and M. Salvatore, contractor.

Meeting was called to order at 7:36 p.m. when a quorum was reached

Members reviewed the Request for Determination of Applicability for new construction at Lot F14A Northbridge Road, 81P lot. A motion was made by P. Coffin and was seconded by D. Tinio to sign a negative Determination of Applicability with a condition to put a deep sump and hay bales around the well. The motion carried unanimously.

Gerry Smith from Aquatic Control Technology explained process of aquatic management for Nipmuc Pond. Certain areas are targeted. Mr. Smith explained that because the pond was created mostly from groundwater and that there is limited access to it, there are not a lot of invasive plants. His company files a permit with the state each year regarding what chemicals are used. Chemicals are used are to affect plants only, not people or animals. A pre-treatment inspection includes an underwater camera to view what types of plants exist. There are no confirmed invasive plants in the pond to date. There may be a non-native species of milfoil. Mr. Smith proved booklets and information about different types of possible invasive plants. He requested if someone in the area does find one of the species, take a sample and send it to him. Damon will make sure the posting showing invasive plants is put up by the lake. He also provided pictures of sand in front of a catch basin on Route 16 near the pond with vegetation growing in it. Mr. Smith provided a revision to the 2006 year-end report with the date of the letter corrected. Mr. Smith delivered a 2007 Proposal for Aquatic Management Program at Nipmuc Pond that the Conservation Commission needs to sign on or before March 5. The board informed Mr. Smith that a landowner abutting the pond requested the treatment to be done by June 21.

8:11 p.m. Mr. Tinio left the meeting due to a previous commitment.

8:12 p.m. RDA/NOI 68 Washington Street-Septic Repair—S. Lajoie informed members that soil tests were done even though results were not part of the NOI. There were no hydric soils found. The upland area is marked on the plan. Members signed a positive Determination of Applicability because the work is within the Buffer Zone and will alter an Area subject to protection under the Wetlands Protection Act. Hay bales must be placed on the northern side along the tree line to the 93-contour line. P. Coffin made and W. Aten seconded a motion to approve the engineering plan for 68 Washington Street with the stipulation that the engineer provides a copy of the hydric soil test showing the soil is not hydric. The motion carried unanimously.

8:25 p.m. Adam Klein, Eagle Scout Project—Mr. Klein informed members that his Eagle Scout project is complete. A table from the Parks Department was put in the picnic area. He built benches for the trailhead. The entrance has wood chips placed upon it. There is also a letterbox there similar to a geo cache. He showed members pictures he took of the area. No trees were cut down that were over one-inch thick. Adam did not have to spend any of his own money. He was able to get donations for everything that was needed. He put in a total of 225 hours on the project. Members signed a letter acknowledging its completion.

8:40 p.m. Members reviewed the Request for a Certificate of Compliance for 174 Millville Road and the accompanying plan from Shea Engineering. Members signed the Certificate of Compliance.

D. Willoughby informed members of her discussion with Margo Clerkin, DEP Southeast Regional Circuit Rider, regarding 50 Milford Street. Upon hearing that the Sweets did not want to spend any money filing documentation, Margo indicated that at minimum they should have filled out a Request for Determination of Applicability that costs no money. Members directed Diane to call Mr. Sweet to have him come in and fill out an RDA.

T. Aicardi informed members that he still plans to meet with A. Tetreault to unblock an additional outlet on Nipmuc Pond.

D. Willoughby informed members that the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act Office would be conducting a site visit for Sylvan Springs on Friday, February 23 at 1:30 p.m. They will meet on the third floor of Town Hall and will then proceed to the Sylvan Springs site.

Members reviewed mail.

P. Coffin made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the Conservation Commission meeting minutes of February 8, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:57 p.m.

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Meeting Minutes of March 8, 2007

Attending: T. Aicardi, M. Ammendolia, and W. Aten.

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Members reviewed the Request for Determination of Applicability to transplant sparsely growing cranberry plants into a more condensed upland cranberry bog. Members signed the Determination of Applicability indicating the work is not in an area subject to protection under the Wetlands Protection Act or buffer zone.

7:45 p.m. Members also reviewed RDA for 25 Carpenter Hill Road, 16' X 20' addition. *Action: T. Aicardi to do site visit.*

There is no new status on the blocked outlet to Lake Nipmuc.

Action: D. Willoughby to ask P. Coffin to return M. Salvador's plan back to the office for M. Salvador's use.

T. Aicardi signed a letter per A. Klein's request acknowledging that his Eagle Scout project is complete.

Members signed an Extension Permit for Orders of Condition for 21-23 Cape Road that corrected the DEP number.

Members reviewed mail. They had no additional comments on the Fino property zoning.

M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the Conservation Commission meeting minutes of February 22, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

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Meeting Minutes of March 22, 2007

Attending: D, Tinio, M. Ammendolia, and W. Aten.

Meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. when a quorum was reached.

M. Ammendolia informed members that a resident had to call Mr. Sweet at 50 Milford Street to ask that the water level be lowered because the water was backing up on their property. Mr. Sweet graciously complied. The neighbor asked the Conservation Commission what would the procedure be if Mr. Sweet was on vacation and the level was too high.

Action: D. Willoughby to contact either DEP or NRCS to find out what a property owner's responsibilities is when a dam is located on his/her property.

Members reviewed a letter from A. Tetreault to Mr. Chiacchia regarding water from his property on Old Taft Avenue running onto the road and ice building up. *Action: Members asked D. Willoughby to write a letter to A. Tetreault asking the status and saying they would rather see the water go into the catch basin.*

Members reviewed and signed the Request for Determination of Applicability for 34 Crestview Drive for an aboveground pool. There will be no wetland impact.

D. Willoughby informed members that Laura Tosches called to thank the Commission for taking action on her letter requesting a tree on town property be taken care of as it was in danger of falling on her property. She also informed them that Richard Hartley, Mass Wildlife, would be sending documentation regarding Sylvan Springs and Bridlewood having Coldwater Fisheries on their sites.

Action: Members will review the Zoning Bylaws and have comments ready for the next meeting.

M. Ammendolia made and D. Tinio seconded a motion to accept the Conservation Commission meeting minutes of March 8, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.

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Meeting Minutes of April 5, 2007

Attending: T. Aicardi, D. Tinio, M. Ammendolia, and W. Aten; E. Berthiaume, 13 Hartford Ave. E. and R. Sweet, 50 Milford St.

Meeting was called to order at 7:50 p.m. when a quorum was reached.

Requests for Determination of Applicability

Mr. Berthiaume showed commissioners his plot plan for a 60' X 80'-garage. Members explained that there can only be 2700 square feet or less of disturbance based on the riverfront area. M. Ammendolia made and D. Tinio seconded a motion to approve the construction of a 60' by 80'-garage pending any input from residents at an advertised meeting. The motion carried unanimously. A negative determination was made based in the plot plan. Members signed the RDA. *Action: D. Willoughby to advertise the meeting and inform Mr. Berthiaume of the date and time.*

T. Aicardi informed members that he performed a site visit to 25 Carpenter Hill Road. The owner would like to build a 16' X 20'-addition in the back. He informed the applicant that he is required to install a row of hay bales in the buffer. M. Ammendolia made and D. Tinio seconded a motion to issue a negative determination for 25 Carpenter Hill Road. The motion carried unanimously. Members signed the RDA.

T. Aicardi reported that he would perform site visit to 34 Crestview Drive. Owner would like to install in-ground pool.

T. Aicardi performed site visit to 8 Butler Road. Owner wants to bring in mulch for a swing set. There was no wetland impact. D. Tinio made and M. Ammendolia seconded a motion to sign negative determination for 8 Butler Road. The motion carried unanimously.

T. Aicardi performed site visit to 4 Kinsley Lane. Owner would like to raise the grade of the front lawn where septic area is located. T. Aicardi made and D. Tinio seconded motion to sign negative determination for 4 Kinsley Lane. The motion carried unanimously. There was no wetland impact.

Members reviewed RDA for 74 Hartford Ave. West. Owner would like to build 12 X 21'-addition with full foundation. M. Ammendolia made and D. Tinio seconded motion to sign negative determination for 74 Hartford Ave. West for a 12 X 21'-addition with full foundation. The motion carried unanimously.

Action: T. Aicardi to perform site visit to 96 Providence Street. Owner would like to install a deck.

Members reviewed Request for Determination of Applicability for 38 Vincent Road. Owners would like to install an in-ground pool. The owner said they would put the pool in the back wherever the commissioners suggest. Members agreed that due to its location up against the wetland, they would like to schedule site visit in order to suggest the best placement. *Action: D. Willoughby will try to schedule a visit for Saturday, April 14 at 10:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m.*

T. Aicardi said he is planning to get together with A. Tetreault and a backhoe to clean out other outlet on Lake Nipmuc. Members discussed the outlet flow locations.

Members are still reviewing zoning bylaw amendment.

R. Sweet addressed the dam shutoff on his property. He explained that the dam could only go as high as the 'cut out'. The shutoff is underneath it. Mr. Sweet offered to show Mr. Ammendolia where it is in case he is not home to adjust the level.

R. Sweet gave the Conservation Commission a copy of his letter to the Board of Selectmen indicating his interest in being considered for the next available position on the Conservation Commission.

D. Tinio made and M. Ammendolia seconded a motion to accept the Conservation Commission meeting minutes of March 22, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Willoughby informed members of an e-mail received from A. Mazar asking if the Inman Hill Conservation Area is under the jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission. The Bay State Trail Riders would like to put processed gravel or stone dust to fill in the low areas in the parking field up at the Inman Hill Wildlife Conservation Area. Members agreed it was in their jurisdiction. They requested gravel be used on the path and that the Bay State Trail Riders bring a plan before them showing a map where the gravel will be placed as well as how and where equipment will be brought in. *Action: D. Willoughby to respond to the e-mail.*

Members requested that D. Willoughby ask Carr Research for another copy of Sylvan Spring's 401 Water Quality Certification Application. Members would like to keep a copy in the office and pass the other around so members can read it at their leisure.

Members reviewed License Routing Slips for Southwick Wild Animal Zoo, Lambert's Flowers of Mendon, Mendon Twin Drive-In.

D. Willoughby explained that she received an inquiry for the Certificate of Compliance for 32 Lovell Street. The COC was issued but there is no record it was recorded. Shea Engineering is checking to see if owner has it. Members signed new COC in case the original cannot be found.

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:15 p.m.

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Meeting Minutes of April 19, 2007

Attending: D. Tinio, M. Ammendolia, and W. Aten; E. Berthiaume, 13 Hartford Ave. E.; R. Sweet, 50 Milford St. and B. Kalagher, 24 Glenn St., Douglas, MA.

Meeting was called to order at 7:49 p.m. when a quorum was reached.

Commissioners discussed Mr. Berthiaume's Request for Determination of Applicability for a 60' X 80'-garage. The shed is within the maximum amount of riverfront that is allowed to be disturbed. Members signed the negative determination.

Becky Kalagher, who is with the Bay State Trail Riders, explained to commissioners that she would like to work on the field off Inman Hill Road. She plans to bring in 30 yards of approximately 1-inch processed gravel through the break in the stonewall with a John Deere tractor. D. Tinio offered his family to supply the gravel. Becky also informed members that signs would be made for the trail.

Members signed negative determinations for the following. There was no wetland impact.

34 Crestview Drive-- 18' X 33' above-ground pool

96 Providence St.—16' X 20' w/deck

91 Blackstone St.—30' X 52' garage addition

64 Hartford Ave. W—12' X 12' breezeway and 30' X 26' garage w/foundation

Bill and Mike performed a site visit at 38 Vincent Road. Trees must be cut down in order to install an in-ground pool in the buffer. Members signed a negative determination indicating that they must contain the immediate work area with hay bales.

Members commented on recommended zoning bylaw change saying it provides more opportunity for someone to purchase the Fino Property.

D. Tinio reported that the lake level did not rise after the recent rains even without removing debris from the second outlet. They will continue to monitor it.

P. Coffin made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the Conservation Commission meeting minutes of April 5, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Willoughby informed members that Carr Research sent an additional copy of Sylvan Spring's 401 Water Quality Certification Application for their review. P. Coffin acknowledged that Sylvan Spring's documentation acknowledges a cold-water fishery.

Members received copies of the notification from the DEP about the public hearing regarding the proposed revisions to the Wetlands Protection Act Regulations and the 401 Water Quality Certificate Regulations.

D. Willoughby informed members that T. Aicardi performed site visit to 26 Kinsley Lane. He recommended signing a complete Certificate of Compliance.

D. Willoughby also informed members that there was a great turn out for the Annual Town Clean Up last Saturday. Colleen Oncay with the Mendon Lion's Club believes the amount of families who came to help did so due to the poster contest. D. Willoughby coordinated with D. Grady, 6th grade teacher, and Mrs. Gentili, art teacher, at Miscoe to have students create posters to advertise the clean up. Diane then hung posters around the school and in the Mendon Town Hall. Posters were also given to Upton Town Hall, Mendon Library and Warren's Barber Shop to be displayed. Gift certificates from Lowell's Restaurant were given to the winners from grades four, six and seven.

Members discussed the possibility of having an alternate Conservation Commission member. *Action: D. Willoughby to look into the possibility and report back to the committee.*

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Meeting Minutes of May 10, 2007

Attending: T. Aicardi, M. Ammendolia, and W. Aten; R. Sweet, 50 Milford St.

Meeting was called to order at 8:17 p.m. when a quorum was reached.

Members signed negative determinations for the following. There was no wetland impact.

175 Blackstone Street, 30'round, aboveground pool

188 Providence Road, 13'X13" deck

16 King Phillip Path, 20'X40' inground pool

Members reviewed a Request for a Determination of Applicability (RDA) from a potential buyer for 51 Mowry Street. D. Willoughby informed members that D. Tinio performed site visit. He determined that they can clean up 100' from the rear and side of the house but cannot bring in equipment. He said a more detailed plan would be needed if a detached garage were to be built as the realtor indicated.

Members also reviewed an RDA for 4 Leonard Road from a potential buyer who wanted to know whether a pool could be installed in the backyard. T. Aicardi spoke with homeowner and told her that a pool would be able to go on the deck side of the house. The owner would need to take precautions to protect the wetland and would need to submit another RDA and a plan showing where the pool would be located.

Actions: T. Aicardi to perform site visit to 34 Lovell Street for a Request for a Determination of Applicability to repair a stone wall alongside the yard near the wetland and possibly extend the front yard and to install an inground pool on a flat spot. The silt barrier from when the house was built is still intact. Tim will also do site visit at 44 Crestview Drive for an RDA for an inground pool.

T. Aicardi reported that the additional lake outlet he discovered is on Ed Rouleau's property. T. Aicardi will ask D. Tinio, who knows Mr. Rouleau, to get the owner's permission to go on his property to clean the outlet.

M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the Conservation Commission meeting minutes of April 19, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

Members agreed to the following Thursday meeting dates: July 12 and 26, August 9 and 23.

T. Aicardi to look into 50-foot dead pine tree near 15 Puddingstone Lane.

Action: D. Willoughby to issue OOC for 68 Washington Street, have Seth Lajoie record it or an enforcement order will be issued.

Action: D. Willoughby to invite Steven Bonavita, with the Central Mass. Regional Planning Agency, to an upcoming meeting to discuss his request for a list of springs that are located in Mendon.

D. Willoughby informed members that the MACC handbook notes that associate members can share the workload and provide a pool of future members. They are not the same as voting alternates. *Action: D. Willoughby will check with Town Clerk to see if there are any bylaws that would allow for voting alternates.*

D. Willoughby noted she requested 13 hours per week in her FY '08 salary budget but was only granted 11. She may have to go back to the Finance Committee if the workload warrants more than 11 hours per week.

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Members agreed that since R. Sweet has shown an interest in being on the Conservation Commission should an opening be available, he should go to the Ethics Seminar on Thursday, May 24 at 10:00 a.m.

Members reviewed the letter from the Blackstone River Watershed Association. M. Ammendolia requested Michelle Walsh be invited to an upcoming meeting to discuss the survey they are doing.

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Willoughby
Administrative Clerk

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Meeting Minutes of May 24, 2007

Attending: T. Aicardi, M. Ammendolia, P. Coffin, W. Aten and D. Tinio; R. Sweet, 50 Milford St.; F. Lapham, Shea Engineering; Brian & Jerilyn Clark, 27 Providence St.; Juna Testa, 39 Providence St.; J. Andrews, Andrews Survey & Engineering.

Meeting was called to order at 7:42 p.m. when a quorum was reached.

Members reviewed several Requests for Determinations (RDA) approved since May 10, 2007.

T. Aicardi informed members that he performed a site visit at 34 Lovell Street. Owners want to repair their stonewall alongside their yard near the wetland and extend into front yard. They would also like to install a pool on a flat spot in their yard. They will add more boulders to the retaining wall and install a pool. They will install silt fence or hay bales and will not go beyond. Members signed the determination.

T. Aicardi performed site visit to 18 Mowry Street. Owner wants to build single-car attached garage on the left side of the house as facing from the street. Members signed a negative determination of no wetland impact.

M. Ammendolia and W. Aten performed site visit at 38 Blackstone Street for RDA to construct a 2-car, attached garage on left side as facing the house. Members signed a negative determination of no wetland impact.

T. Aicardi performed site visit at 44 Crestview Drive for RDA to install a pool. Members signed a negative determination. There was no wetland impact.

7:45 p.m. Notice of Intent -- 115 Blackstone Street--A five-bedroom, single-family house is to be built 1000 feet off Blackstone Street. Work is being done in the buffer zone. [D. Tinio arrived 7:50 p.m.]

T. Aicardi requested hay bales and silt fence be installed on both slopes and one at the top. W. Aten requested a site walk. It was scheduled for Saturday, June 2 at 9:00 a.m. Members requested stakes be placed where the house and garage will be, hay bale line and where septic system will be prior to the visit. M. Ammendolia made and D. Tinio seconded a motion to continue the hearing for 115 Blackstone Street until 8:00 p.m. on June 7, 2007.

8:00 p.m. Notice of Intent -- 19 Providence Street--Owner would like to build a wetland crossing to get to a storage building he may build in the future. T. Aicardi asked J. Andrews to find out what the size of the building will be. [P. Coffin left meeting at 8:10 p.m.] A site walk is scheduled for Saturday, June 2 at 10:30 a.m. M. Ammendolia made and D. Tinio seconded a motion to continue the hearing until June 7, 2007 at 8:15 p.m.

8:15 p.m. Members reviewed an RDA for 50 Asylum Street. The owner would like to build a 16' X 45' addition with poured concrete and a 26' X 28' porch with concrete footings. D. Tinio will perform a site visit.

T. Aicardi signed off on an all-alcohol license for Fresco's Restaurant and a new license for a kennel at 10 Bellingham Street.

Members signed Certificates of Compliance for 10 Hartford Avenue West and 68 Kinsley Lane. D. Willoughby will not issue them until T. Aicardi performs a site visit and approves them.

D. Tinio reported that the level of Lake Nipmuc is still going down.

T. Aicardi had spoken with A. Tetreault regarding a Request for a Determination to widen a section at the Park Street and Pleasant Street crossing. A tree needs to be removed in the summer on Pleasant Street. Members signed a negative determination indicating there would be no wetland impact if best management practices were used.

M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the Conservation Commission meeting minutes of May 10, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

T. Aicardi to look into 50-foot dead pine tree near 15 Puddingstone Lane.

D. Willoughby reported that Steven Bonavita, with the Central Mass. Regional Planning Agency, does not feel comfortable attending a Mendon Conservation Commission meeting to discuss obtaining a list of springs that are located in Mendon. He does not want to appear to favor one community over another in his search for a spring for an out-of-state entity.

D. Willoughby informed members that in order for a town to have voting alternates on the Conservation Commission there must be a charter provision or a special act of the Legislature. Members agreed they did not want to pursue either one of these. *Action: D. Willoughby to find out when all the members' terms are up.*

Members will review the Cobbler's Knoll construction report they received.

Action: D. Willoughby to let M. McCue know that the Conservation Commission would like him to research a grant opportunity to obtain a color printer. This printer would be used to print photos of site visits.

D. Willoughby read the note Howard Phipps wrote to M. McCue regarding Founder Park.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Meeting Minutes of June 7, 2007

Attending: D. Tinio, M. Ammendolia, P. Coffin, and W. Aten; Michelle Walsh, 5 Myrtle St, Mendon; F. Lapham, Shea Engineering; and Brian & Jerilyn Clark, 27 Providence St.

Meeting was called to order at 7:43 p.m. when a quorum was reached.

Members reviewed and signed several Requests for Determinations (RDA) for which site visits were done since May 24, 2007.

The following had no wetland impact:

16 Asylum Street, 10'X20' storage shed

6 Blueberry Drive, 10'X16' shed

7 Pleasant Street, 18'X39' in-ground pool

4 Asylum Street, 16'X20' barn

50 Asylum Street, 16'X45' addition, hay bales & silt fence per engineering drawing

1A Megan Court, 24'X12' deck

D. Willoughby reported that T. Aicardi performed site visit at 6 Davenport Drive for an RDA. The owner would like to install an in-ground pool next to the garage. Tim will call the owner to see how many trees need to be cut down.

Members reviewed the plan and noted that construction will take place closer to the wetland. Members agreed that the owner needs to file a Notice of Intent. There is a current expired Order of Conditions. Members would like an as-built before signing a complete Certificate of Compliance.

7:52 p.m. Michelle Walsh from the Blackstone River Watershed Association explained the Adopt-A-Stream program. They are doing a survey of the West and Mill Rivers. There were 18 students and 18 adults conducting the survey. The shoreline survey training has been done. The actual surveys are done in teams. Michelle meets with Mass. Riverways to determine the location of problem areas. She then meets with local officials to correct the problems. D. Tinio asked if a survey is done at Lake Nipmuc. Michelle will find out within the next couple of weeks and will provide a copy of the report.

8:13 p.m. NOI 115 Blackstone Street, F. Lapham provided a revised plan. Fred explained that Bill Richard requested changes for septic system. The size of the garage has been reduced from 40'X60' to 35'X50'. This will result in less grading. Members required a double line of hay bales and silt fence. P. Coffin attended the site visit on June 2. He was concerned because a silt fence and the driveway had already been installed before the plan was approved. He did acknowledge that Jim Gray was a conscientious contractor. F. Lapham confirmed that the stream on site is intermittent. M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to approve the engineering plan for 115 Blackstone Street. The motion carried unanimously.

8:23 p.m. 19 Providence St., Stephen O'Connell, the engineer from Andrews Survey & Engineering, requested a continuance in writing. The hearing will be continued to 8:30 p.m. on June 21.

8:30 p.m. T. Hackenson requested a sign-off from the board for his restaurant on Hastings Street for the Special Building Commissioner. D. Tinio signed.

D. Willoughby informed members that there is a new Request For a Determination of Applicability for 38 Colonial Drive. The owner would like to install an approximately 18'X32' in-ground pool. T. Aicardi will do the site visit.

M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the Conservation Commission meeting minutes of May 24, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

T. Aicardi to look into 50-foot dead pine tree near 15 Puddingstone Lane.

D. Willoughby informed members that the Board of Selectmen would be issuing letters of re-appointment for T. Aicardi and P. Coffin. She also informed W. Aten that he needs to be sworn in for his three-year term. M. Ammendolia said that the BoS couldn't appoint an elected official to a position. Mike believes that since he was appointed to the Conservation Commission before he was elected selectman he should be able to fulfill his term. He is currently doing research to confirm his belief and does not plan to resign from the Conservation Commission at this time.

Members reviewed forest plan for 94 Hartford Avenue East. *Action: D. Willoughby to send a letter to William Asisco II, the plan preparer, informing him that the Conservation Commission must be notified before any work begins.* Members also reviewed Powers Oil delinquency notice.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2007

Attending: T. Aicardi, M. Ammendolia, P. Coffin, and W. Aten; Rick Merrikin, Merrikin Engineering; Ellen Rosenfeld; Jon Rosenfeld 165 Millville Road; Mike Salvador, 161 Millville Road; Virginio Sardinha; Michael Dean, Guerriere & Halnon.

Meeting was called to order at 7:42 p.m. when a quorum was reached.

Members reviewed and signed the following Requests for Determinations (RDA) for which site visits were done since June 7, 2007. There was no wetland impact.

4 Wood Drive 20' X 14.5' deck

38 Colonial Drive in-ground pool

7:45 p.m. 163 & 165 Millville Street NOI hearing. There is an existing house on the lot. There will be a 25-foot buffer from the bordering vegetated wetland to where work is proposed. Rick explained that an unpaved footpath does not come under the Wetlands Protection Act. A wooden bridge will be over the crossing. They are proposing four, hand-dug, eight-inch sono tubes. An eight-foot, chain link fence will be built around the tennis court. No lighting is planned at this time.

M. Ammendolia joined the meeting at 7:52 p.m. Rick reviewed previous discussion regarding the plans. Rick explained that the barn cannot be placed further forward to get farther away from the wetland because that is an area that perked and is on a buildable lot. The barn and part of the tennis court is being built on a lot that Mr. Rosenfeld does not own. Ellen Realty Trust, Jon's sister, owns the other lot. M. Ammendolia impressed upon Mr. Rosenfeld that the NOI must be amended. The Wetland Fee Transmittal form must show that there are two lots; therefore, requiring two filing fees. The engineering plans must show the square footage of dry land. M. Salvador is an abutter and informed members he has no issues with the plan at this time. A site walk is scheduled for Saturday, July 7 at 9:00 a.m. Members requested the location of the barn and tennis court be staked out. There will be flags for the trail and footbridge and footings. Members continued the hearing until July 12 at 7:45 p.m.

8:12 p.m. 9 West Hill Road, NOI hearing for a three-car garage within the 100-foot buffer of a bordering vegetated wetland. Members required that the ends of the hay bales curve in toward the work area away from the wetland. Members also required silt fence as well as the hay bales. M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the plan for 9 West Hill Road. The motion carried unanimously.

8:45 p.m. 19 Providence Street, NOI hearing continued. No representative for this NOI was in attendance. Members directed D. Willoughby to send a letter to Andrews Surveying saying the Commission will leave the NOI open and ask if he wishes to continue the hearing when we receive a revised design. They will give him two weeks to respond or they will issue a denial without prejudice.

Members signed positive Determination of Applicability for a pool and Certificate of Compliance for the single-family house at 6 Davenport Drive.

M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the Conservation Commission meeting minutes of June 7, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

T. Aicardi could not find the 50-foot dead pine tree near 15 Puddingstone Lane.

D. Willoughby informed members that she spoke with Mike Dean of Guerriere & Halnon regarding a COC for Miscoe Springs. He will speak with Mike Rossi of Miscoe Springs.

M. Salvador explained to members how he wants to clear debris and replace a culvert. Members required he use a siltation barrier. Work must commence between today and September 15. M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to replace a RCP culvert with a box culvert and clean up debris. The motion carried unanimously.

Members read the letter from the MACC regarding the Public Lands Preservation Act. P. Coffin made and M. Ammendolia seconded a motion to support the Public Lands Preservation Act. The motion carried unanimously. Members signed letters to State Representative Fernandes and Senator Moore indicating the same.

Members reviewed the letter from Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC regarding pipeline maintenance. *Action: D. Willoughby will confirm when work will be done. Members want to ensure that erosion control methods are in place so they may be able to do an inspection.*

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Meeting Minutes of July 12, 2007

Attending: D. Tinio, M. Ammendolia, P. Coffin, and W. Aten; Dan Merrikin, Merrikin Engineering; Mike Salvador, 161 Millville Rd.; Johanna Ferrucci, 19 Lovell St.; John Andrews, Andrews Surveying; Shirley Smith, 188 Providence Rd.; A. Tetreault, Highway Surveyor.

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. when a quorum was reached.

Members reviewed and signed several Requests for Determinations (RDA) for which site visits were done since June 21. The following had no wetland impact:

29 Bates Street-in-ground pool

10 Bicknell Dr.-rebuilding and extending deck to 12' X 16'

Members also reviewed a RDA for Lot #2 West Circle Ave. which is owned by St. Michael's church. They approved the use of a small excavator to perc. back land to be done before September 1, 2007. Johanna Ferrucci agreed to have the applicant's representative call the Conservation Commission to inform them when they determine when work is scheduled.

8:00 p.m. NOI hearing for 163 & 165 Millville St. continued. Members reviewed the plans again since D. Tinio was not at the last hearing. The bridge will go over the intermittent stream channel. They will be digging to place four sonotubes in the wetland. The plans reflect a shorter footbridge that would have less of an impact. This was requested upon the site walk performed by the Con. Com. The proposed barn was moved further away from the wetland on the revised plan. Thirty-five feet of the buffer will be undisturbed. The driveway was reconfigured to save trees. Mike Salvador, abutter, said he was agreeable to the plans. Members requested that the Conservation Commission office be notified when clearing begins. The commissioners reiterated that the gravel driveway width not exceed ten feet. Commissioners requested hay bales in addition to the silt fence behind the proposed pool and tennis court near steeper slopes. P. Coffin made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the revised plans as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

8:14 p.m. 19 Providence Street Hearing continued. Engineer presented revised plans. Members agreed that work must be done between June and September 30. P. Coffin made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the amended plans for 19 Providence Street for the wetland crossing only. Applicant must re-file for construction of a building. The motion carried unanimously.

8:28 p.m. S. Smith informed members that the developer of the Bridlewood Subdivision plans to break ground in September. A. Tetreault will send the Con. Com. a letter that he sent to other boards regarding the development. The Zoning Board of Appeals will be scheduling a meeting to discuss it. *Action: D. Willoughby to send a letter to the Planning Board, Zoning Board and Board of Selectmen informing them that the Con. Com. approved the wetland crossing to enter into a development of six houses. The applicant must come before the Con. Com. if he plans to build more than 6 lots and must re-file the Notice of Intent.*

8:45 p.m. M. Ammendolia joined the meeting.

Members reviewed Bridlewood plans that S. Smith provided. *Action: D. Willoughby to send M. Ahmed a letter*

indicating there is some confusion about what his plans are for the Bridlewood Development.

Members reviewed extension of hours request for Pop 'n Kork. M. Ammendolia informed members that the BOS took the request under advisement, as there are allegations before the ABA regarding selling to minors. D. Tinio signed the routing slip, as there are no wetland issues.

Members decided to cancel the July 26 Con. Com. meeting.

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Meeting Minutes of August 23, 2007

Attending: T. Aicardi, D. Tinio, M. Ammendolia, and W. Aten; D. Wang, Carr Research Lab., Inc.; R. Poxon, Guerriere & Halnon; M. Yerka, Yerka/Bacon Engineering; G. Gans, 87 Hartford Ave. W.; R. Sweet, 50 Milford Street

Meeting was called to order at 7:41 p.m. when a quorum was reached.

Members reviewed a Request for Determinations (RDA) for 9 Blueberry Drive. T. Aicardi and M. Ammendolia performed the site visit. There was no wetland impact.

7:45 p.m. NOI hearing for Lot 1 North Avenue—The property is across the street from St. Michael's church. There is 253 feet of frontage. The silt fence is the limit of clearing. Members asked Bob Poxon to add the proper-sized footing to the retaining wall on the engineering drawing. Members plan to go on a site walk. Mr. Poxon will stake four corners of the house and four corners of the septic system. He will call the office when it is completed. M. Ammendolia made and D. Tinio seconded a motion to continue the hearing for Lot 1 North Avenue until September 6 at 7:45 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

8:05 ANRAD hearing for North Avenue. The frontage is 228 feet. D. Tinio made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the ANRAD for North Avenue as proposed. The motion carried unanimously.

T. Aicardi informed members that he received a call from Philip Nadeau from the DEP. Phil received a complaint regarding Mr. Hilliard's property at 60 North Avenue. He sent T. Aicardi aerial photographs that showed that he has been clearing the back of the property and has made a pond. There is no Request for Determination; therefore, the Conservation Commission cannot go on his property. Mr. Nadeau told Tim to send Mr. Hilliard a letter informing him of the complaint and inviting him to come into a meeting. *Action: D. Willoughby to send Mr. Hilliard a letter and let T. Aicardi know when it is being composed.*

T. Aicardi also informed members about a complaint P. Nadeau received regarding the Hood property. Tim told him he would discuss it at this meeting. There was no Request for Determination of Applicability because there was not a building structure but a paddock and was not filling a wetland. M. Salvador who was doing the construction had come to a meeting to show members a plan. He is 300-400 feet from the wetland. There were isolated wetlands due to ruts.

Members reviewed a new plan for 87 Hartford Ave. W. The applicant had previously submitted the RDA with a less detailed plan. The addition is only 1.5 feet into the buffer zone. Hay bales were also shown on the plan. No trees will be removed. There will be a total of 95 feet of disturbance during construction. M. Ammendolia made and D. Tinio seconded a motion to accept the plan for 87 Hartford Ave. W. as presented with a negative determination. The motion carried unanimously.

M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes of June 21, 2007. The motion carried. D. Tinio abstained, as he was not present at the meeting.

M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes of July 12, 2007. The motion

carried unanimously.

Members signed the Certificate of Compliance for 58 Mowry Street. T. Aicardi explained that the Order of Conditions is invalid because it expired and the work had never begun. The new owner will file a new NOI.

D. Willoughby informed members that M. Ahmed e-mailed saying he could not attend tonight's meeting and has not responded to her e-mail inquiring into when he can attend. M. Ammendolia directed D. Willoughby to send a letter to the Planning, Zoning, Building and BoS saying that "in light of the situation going on with this developer and subdivision, we want to reiterate any applications made to their board needs to be submitted to the Conservation Commission".

D. Willoughby informed members that there was no record that the following Orders of Conditions were recorded with the Registry of Deeds.

105 Providence Street	14 Teresa Drive
Rt. 140/Hartford Ave. E.	19 Providence Street
Lot F6A Northbridge Rd.	163 & 165 Millville Street

M. Ammendolia directed D. Willoughby to send letters to applicants of above that unless the Conservation Commission receives documentation within 30 days showing the Orders of Conditions have been recorded, the Orders will be revoked.

Members agreed on the following Thursday meeting dates: September 27, October 11 and October 25.

D. Willoughby informed members that MACC is suggesting that local Conservation Commissions do some publicity in light of the 50th anniversary of Conservation Commissions. Members agreed that this would be worthwhile.

Members and R. Sweet reviewed MACC publications and chose some to order.

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Meeting Minutes of September 6, 2007

Attending: T. Aicardi, W. Aten and P. Coffin; Deborah & Thomas Lane, 38 Vincent Rd.; R. Sweet, 50 Milford Street; and Ron Bloch, 17 Ashkins Dr.

Meeting was called to order at 7:36 p.m. when a quorum was reached.

Members reviewed Requests for Determinations (RDA) for 39 Bates St. and 4 Elm Street. T. Aicardi performed the site visits. There was no wetland impact on either property.

7:45 p.m. NOI hearing continuance for Lot 1 North Avenue—D. Willoughby informed members that Peter Lavoie called to apologize that the stakes have not been put up yet. He requested a continuance until September 27 at 7:45 p.m. He will call the office when the stakes are in.

D. Willoughby informed members that she spoke with M. Ahmed regarding his phone call indicating he was not going to come to a Con. Com. Meeting to discuss his plans for the Bridlewood Subdivision. He indicated that he was going to wait for the results of the ZBA issue being resolved and the Planning Board sign off. He did not want to present another set of plans if they were not going to be approved by those boards. He said he would not put a shovel in the ground without Con. Com. approval. *Action: D. Willoughby to send the ZBA, Planning Board, Zoning Board and Building Department requesting they inform the Con. Com. with any decisions or approvals they make.* Mr. Block was concerned that the aquifer would be depleted if 20 houses were to be built. The commissioners explained that that issue is not a consideration of this Committee under the Wetland Protection Act.

T. Aicardi showed Mr. Hilliard the aerial photo that was provided by P. Nadeau, DEP, due to a complaint. Mr. Hilliard explained that property is considered a 61A farm designation. He has put in a riding rink and dug a watering hole for his animals. He estimated that at the widest point it is 54 feet and 64' at its longest. His is building two arenas and owns 10 acres. Mr. Coffin directed Mr. Hilliard to contact the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to file a plan. When a wetland is involved, the owner must make sure the area is protected and managed properly. T. Aicardi gave the photo to Mr. Hilliard. *Action: D. Willoughby will send the information regarding NRCS to Mr. Hilliard.*

Members reviewed a letter from Jon Rosenfeld regarding excavation equipment at 161 Millville Road. The abutter was concerned because tree cutting equipment has moved in without the owner having a building permit, Order of Conditions or approved plan. *Action: D. Willoughby to inform Mr. Salvador of the letter and make sure he is just performing work which was approved on the Request for Determination of Applicability.*

Members also discussed the complaint that there is runoff from the North Avenue is where Mr. Salvador is working. T. Aicardi updated P. Coffin, who was not at a prior meeting when this was discussed. T. Aicardi had asked Mr. Salvador if the silt fence was still up. Mike confirmed that there was no runoff and the silt fence was still up. P. Coffin wondered whether the runoff off was old from before the silt fence was up.

W. Aten made and T. Aicardi seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes of August 23, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

Members discussed the survey of streams Mr. Lapham is doing. Fred asked if a member of the Commission could accompany him on at least one of his surveys. P. Coffin was concerned because of the dry spell the area seems to be experiencing and wonders about the criteria to determine whether there is a true dry spell.

Members reviewed the request for a temporary trailer permit from William Marley on 43 Blackstone Street. Members agreed that since there will be no digging or altering of a wetland, D. Willoughby can sign the License Routing Slip on behalf of the Conservation Commission.

Members reviewed the letter informing them of a pre-application for the Hazard Mitigation Grant program. They did not feel it would apply to Mendon.

Members received the cover letter from S. Smith and the attached Accessory Unit Bylaw. Members will review it for the next meeting and will provide comments at that time.

Members reviewed the list of MACC publications available for order. Members agreed that the Northern Forested Wetlands: Ecology & Mgmt. book provided more information than was needed considering its price of \$130. *Action: D. Willoughby to order several other guides and pamphlets.*

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Meeting Minutes of September 27, 2007

Attending: T. Aicardi, W. Aten and M. Ammendolia; Robert Poxon, Guerriere & Halnon; and Bob Sweet, 50 Milford Street.

Meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m. when a quorum was reached.

7:45 p.m. NOI hearing continuance for Lot 1 North Avenue—Bob Poxon presented an updated engineering plan that included a corrected retaining wall detail. M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the revised engineering plan for Lot 1 North Avenue. The motion carried unanimously.

Members reviewed and signed Requests for Determinations (RDA) for 9 Vincent Road and 12 Blueberry Drive. T. Aicardi performed the site visits. There was no wetland impact on either property. They also reviewed the RDA for 57 Milford Street. There was no wetland impact.

Neither Rosenfeld Realty nor Merrikin Engineering can find the original, signed Order of Conditions for 163 & 165 Millville Street. Members signed another original so it can be recorded. The issue date will stay the same as when it was originally issued. D. Willoughby will charge the per-page, copy fee.

Members signed the Certificate of Compliance for 1 (Lot 1A Resthaven Rd. T. Aicardi will perform site visit. D. Willoughby will not release COC until Tim authorizes it.

Members also re-signed the original OOC for Lot 2 Quissett Road. Neither the owner nor engineer could find the original.). Bob Sweet indicated that hay bales are not set up properly. D. Willoughby will not issue it until T. Aicardi performs site visit and authorizes its release.

T. Aicardi to perform the following site visits: 7 Lovell Street, decking; 88 Millville Road, addition; 30 Wood Drive, stake out pool area. Tim will also look at 7 Dudley Road in response to a resident concerned that trees are being removed.

D. Willoughby passed on information about her Conservation Commission Day at the State House on Wednesday, September 19. There were three bills for which the MACC (Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions) encouraged attendees to lobby. Diane spoke with Kenneth Willette, the Administrative Assistant to Representative Fernandes. They discussed the proposed bills and their importance to the Town of Mendon. He indicated that Rep. Fernandes supports them. M. Ammendolia encouraged Diane to attend similar events if they are offered and if there are enough hours in the budget. Diane indicated that there is a Citizen's Leadership Seminar at the State House in which she may be interested.

M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes of September 6, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

Members will review Accessory Unit Bylaw for the next meeting and will provide comments at that time.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Willoughby
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Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2007

Attending: T. Aicardi, D. Tinio, M. Ammendolia, W. Aten and P. Coffin; Steve Donatelli, Shea Engineering; and Bob Sweet, 50 Milford Street.

Meeting was called to order at 7:36 p.m.

Members reviewed, approved and signed the following Requests for Determination. There was no wetland impact.

88 Millville Street—addition

68 Blackstone Street—replace existing deck

30 Wood Drive—in-ground pool

7 Bicknell Drive—screened-in porch

7 Lovell Street--pool decking

T. Aicardi to perform site visit at 9 Vincent Road. Applicant needs to re-locate the pool that the commissioners previously approved. Tim will also perform site visit to 32 Butler Road. The applicant wants to build an addition.

7:45 p.m. NOI hearing for 65 Taft Avenue—S. Donatelli presented the plan to replace a failing septic system with a Presby system. Effluent is on the ground and they would like to get the project done before winter. They will put an impervious barrier between the septic system and drain. D. Tinio made and P. Coffin seconded a motion to accept the engineering plan for 65 Taft Avenue as revised. The Order of Conditions shall note a double row of hay bales by the Courtemache's property, down gradient of system to elevation 101. When the erosion control has been installed, the Conservation Commission must be called before work begins. Hay bales shall be put around the catch basin at the driveway. The motion carried unanimously.

8:05 p.m. NOI hearing continuance for 58 Mowry Street. The original OOC expired and the system that was to be used was larger. There will be less disturbance with the new NOI. The old driveway on the left side of the lot will be removed. All cesspools will be cleaned out and filled. Members requested that the silt barrier be extended to the 102 contour line. P. Coffin made and D. Tinio seconded a motion to accept the revised plan for 58 Mowry Street.

Members reviewed the Request for Certificate of Compliance for 87A Park Street. S. Donatelli informed members that the area has been loamed, seeded and the grass is well established. Members signed the Complete Certificate of Compliance.

Members reviewed the Request for Certificate of Compliance for 89 Northbridge Road, Miscoe Springs and will perform site visits at their convenience before the next meeting. Members reviewed the new catch basin inspection log.

Members signed a Certificate of Compliance for Lots 1 & 2 Resthaven Road. The work was never started on these lots. New, individual NOI's have since been submitted.

Members signed the Order of Conditions for Lot 1 North Avenue. Members voted to approve the plan at the hearing last month but the Order was not signed.

M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes of September 27, 2007. D. Tinio abstained since he did not attend the meeting. The motion carried.

Members agreed on the following meeting dates: Thursday, November 8 & 29, and December 13.

Members agreed that any Orders of Conditions that have not been recorded at the Registry of Deeds in Worcester via mail by the Conservation Commission.

The extension permit for 89 Hartford Avenue East has expired. *Action: D. Willoughby will inform the Board of Health that the repair work has not been done and they will have to re-file their Notice of Intent with the DEP. The building is still being occupied.*

Members agreed to co-sponsor with the DEP a workshop on Riverfront Area Alternatives Analysis on Tuesday, February 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room. *Action: D. Willoughby to inform the BoS.*

Members reviewed and acknowledged receipt of the Zoning Board of Appeals variance request from 61 Milford Street.

Deb Ditalini, whose business abuts 123 Uxbridge Road, called the office to register a complaint. The owner was encroaching on her property line with his sheds. He had offered to cut some shrubs on her property and actually cut trees. T. Aicardi had done a site visit and saw that he was cutting trees and may be in the wetland. He has not cut over the 32,000-board feet that would require him to get a permit. Tim spoke with Mr. Wenger and asked for a site plan with delineation. Mr. Wenger said Seth Lajoie is plotting it. *Action: D. Willoughby to send a letter to Mr. Wenger informing him that if the Conservation Commission does not receive an engineering plan within 30 days, the Commission will issue a cease and desist order on all operations at this site. Seth Lajoie will be copied. As far as his sheds being on her property and him cutting trees on her property, that is a legal issue. It is not a Conservation Commission issue. Action: D. Willoughby to inform Deb.*

Members reviewed the Planning Board's decision on Sylvan Springs. *Action: D. Willoughby to include Sylvan Springs plan review on the agenda for the October 25 Con. Com. meeting.*

A motion was made to adjourn at 8: 53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Meeting Minutes of October 25, 2007

Attending: T. Aicardi, D. Tinio, M. Ammendolia, and P. Coffin; Lisa & Robert Taylor 3 Blackstone St.; Justin Lapham, Shea Engineering; Daniel Boucher, EIT, 90 Millville Rd; Bob Poxon, Guerriere & Halnon, Engineering; and Bob Sweet, 50 Milford Street.

Meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m.

RDA 50 Milford Street for a u-shaped gravel driveway. R. Sweet explained that trucks are having trouble turning around coming in from Route 16 because there is not enough room in current driveway. Members requested that the wetlands be re-delineated and re-flag numbers 8, 9 & 10.

Members reviewed, approved and signed the following Requests for Determination. There was no wetland impact.

- 6 Davenport Drive to remove 3 dead trees in wetland and 3 elsewhere.
- 32 Butler Road—24' X 31' addition on foundation

Chris Ryan of Ryan Law Office made a Request for a Determination for a potential buyer of 3 Morrison Drive—Tellstone Bus Co. would like to make level parking lot for school buses. There would be no wetland impact if they do not exceed 100 feet from the wetland on the adjacent lot. If closer than 100 feet, they would need to file an NOI.

30 Lovell Street- RDA for removal of 10 dead or unstable trees--T. Aicardi to perform site visit.

7:58 p.m. NOI hearing for 8 Gaskill Street—Dan Boucher presented his plan for a new, single-family house. The property is near Willow Brook. There is an existing riding rink. They will be working within the wetland buffer. The area was flagged in April. The septic plans are currently in the review process with the Board of Health. It is outside the buffer zone. They will dig a sump for the well and place hay bales around it. Members requested that hay bales are placed to the limit of the lawn as marked on the plan. D. Tinio made and M. Ammendolia seconded a motion to accept the plan for 8 Gaskill Street as presented. The motion carried unanimously. The engineer shall submit the septic system plan to the Conservation Commission when it is approved.

8:13 p.m. NOI hearing for 28 North Avenue, Lot 2—Bob Poxon presented his plan for a new, single-family house. There will be a 3800 square-foot wetland crossing. The driveway will be 12 feet wide, inside wall to inside wall and 18 feet wide from outside wall to outside wall. It will be six feet wide. They will replicate 4,760 square feet. The area will be staked tomorrow. The DEP requested a simplified habitat study. M. Ammendolia requested 2-foot pipes instead of one-foot noted on plan. D. Tinio made and P. Coffin seconded a motion to continue the hearing for 28 North Avenue until November 8, 2007 at 7:45 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

8:25 p.m. NOI hearing for 66 Kinsley Lane—Justin Lapham presented his plan for the construction of a 28' by 24' garage and driveway. There is an existing gravel driveway. Members requested the hay bale line be extended to the edge of the driveway. D. Tinio made and M. Ammendolia seconded a motion to accept the plan for 66 Kinsley Lane as revised. The motion carried unanimously.

Members signed the Orders of Conditions for 58 Mowry Street and 65 Taft Avenue. Members voted to approve the plans at the hearings last month but the Order was not signed.

M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes of October 11, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

Members will perform site visit to Miscoe Springs for their Certificate of Compliance request.

Members discussed how to handle future tree cutting expenses on conservation land. Members felt that the tree warden should carry it as a line item on his budget.

Action: D. Willoughby to e-mail A. Mazar to let her know the Base Line Monitoring Report for the Wood Property will be kept in the Conservation Commission office.

8:50 p.m. NOI hearing for 14 Western Circle Avenue, Justin Lapham explained that the existing septic system is failing. Silt fence and hay bales will be placed around the work area. D. Tinio made and P. Coffin seconded a motion to accept the plan as presented. The motion carried unanimously. There is no DEP# assigned yet. Therefore, members can sign the OOC at the next meeting. Justin brought documentation for the Presby system, a sample of the pipe and explained how the system works.

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2007

Attending: T. Aicardi, M. Ammendolia, W. Aten and P. Coffin; Bob Poxon, Guerriere & Halnon, Engineering; Fred Lapham, Shea Engineering and Bob Sweet, 50 Milford Street.

Meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m.

Members reviewed, approved and signed a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) for 8 Lapham Road. The owner would like to construct a 26' by 16' addition on a poured, concrete foundation where the deck is currently located. T. Aicardi performed the site visit. There was no wetland impact.

Members also reviewed and approved an RDA to remove ten dead or unstable trees which could fall and damage owners or adjacent property. Members determined no mechanical or motorized equipment are to be used in the wetland.

7:45 p.m. 28 North Avenue NOI Hearing continuation—R. Poxon presented revised engineering plan which showed pipe size that was increased from 12 inches to 24 inches per the commissioners request. The area has been staked. M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to approve 28 North Avenue pending NHESP decision on no wetland species on site. The motion carried unanimously.

F. Lapham reviewed changes incorporated to the 14 Western Circle Ave. engineering plan which was approved at the October 25 meeting. A small retaining wall was added due to the Presby system. M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the plan for 14 Western Circle Ave. as revised. The motion carried unanimously. Fred noted that the Yes block indicating a portion of the project is located in estimated habitat was checked off in error on the NOI. He made a notation and initialed the NOI making the correction.

F. Lapham also reviewed changes he made to the engineering plan that was approved on Oct. 11 for 65 Taft Avenue. The impervious barrier for the Presby system was raised 6 inches. He also added new notes that were requested by the new Board of Health agent.

F. Lapham informed members that he also revised the previously approved plan for 58 Mowry Street. He raised the system three feet over the ground water and changed the impervious barrier.

P. Coffin made and M. Ammendolia seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes of October 25, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

Members reviewed the memo to the Tree Warden indicating that the Con. Com. felt he should carry a line item for trees that need to be cut on Conservation Land. Members agreed to change the wording to "town owned" conservation land. *Action: D. Willoughby to edit the memo and distribute.*

T. Aicardi and P. Coffin performed site visits to Miscoe Springs. P. Coffin found silt in the wetland and neither could see the catch basin that was supposed to be installed. *Action: D. Willoughby to invite Mr. Rossi to the November 29 Conservation Commission meeting.* The Order of Conditions has expired.

T. Aicardi signed the Baseline Report on the former Wood Property. *Action: D. Willoughby to mail it to the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife.*

Members reviewed the letter from Cullinan Engineering regarding the site inspection /bond value estimate for Cadman Road, Forest Park Drive and Leonard Road. D. Willoughby informed members that the Planning Board and Highway Surveyor will recommend to accept the Forest Park Subdivision.

Members reviewed the memo sent to all Department Heads regarding the Budget Income Shortage. *Action: D. Willoughby to send a letter to the Finance Committee stating the following they will be trying to conserve any and all monies in our various accounts.*

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Meeting Minutes of November 29, 2007

Attending: T. Aicardi, D. Tinio, M. Ammendolia, W. Aten and P. Coffin; Pat Ghelli, 42 Milford St.; Mike Rossi, Miscoe Springs; Douglas Curtis, 104 Northbridge Road; and Fred Lapham, Shea Engineering

Meeting was called to order at 7:37 p.m.

P. Ghelli, who is an abutter of 50 Milford Street, informed members that trucks of fill have come in to construct a driveway there. She feels the wetland that abuts her property and Mr. Sweet's is being filled. *Action: D. Willoughby to invite Mr. Sweet to the December 13, 2007 Con. Com. meeting, as they have not received a plan for his driveway as requested. D. Willoughby will also call Pat when the new plan comes in.*

Members reviewed a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) for 39 Vincent Road. The owner would like to clear some trees and install a pool. The members recommended staying within the original hay bale line. The owner needs to submit a plan with finished elevations. They also need to know how much fill will be needed. Members made the determination that there will be an impact to the wetland.

7:45 p.m. Miscoe Springs. T. Aicardi said he visited the site at 89 Northbridge Road, the catch basins are plugged up, and was not able to locate them. P. Coffin found fresh sediment in the woods that feeds into the stream/wetlands. The board recommended that the owner hire an engineer to design the parking lot so silt will not go into the wetland. Mr. Rossi and the board agreed that he would attend the December 13 meeting at 8:00 p.m. to inform members of progress made and have his engineer attend. They also recommended that the engineer do a site visit prior to the meeting. Mr. Curtis who lives across the street noted that there are empty trailers and salting is being done on the site close to the wetland.

8:00 p.m. NOI hearing, Lot F5A Northbridge Road—F. Lapham explained that this lot is partially in Northbridge. The septic system for the four-bedroom house is in the front of the lot. There will be no filling of the wetland and only a limited area of disturbance between the street and wetland. Seven thousand nine hundred square feet is dry. The house has a walkout basement and a retaining wall in back. There is a minimum 25-foot buffer from the wetland. There will be perimeter drains that exit to daylight within the work area. Members requested the build box measurement be put on the plan. Both silt fence and hay bales are to be put on an updated drawing and shall be part of the Order of Conditions. The grass swales off Northbridge Road must be constructed before any other construction begins. Mendon Conservation Commission must be notified two weeks before any construction begins. Silt fence and hay bales must be inspected prior to construction beginning. P. Coffin made and D. Tinio seconded a motion to approve the plan for Lot F5A as presented with noted changes. The motion carried unanimously. F. Lapham will submit updated plans.

8:15 p.m. NOI hearing, Lot F7A Northbridge Road—Construction will be kept in front of the site to avoid wetland crossing. There will be a minimum of a 25-foot buffer from the construction area. The house will have a walkout basement, 1:1 rip rap slope and a retaining wall that will be a maximum of five feet. M. Ammendolia made and D. Tinio seconded a motion to accept the plan for Lot F7A Northbridge Road with noted changes. The motion carried unanimously. The build box, and both silt fence and hay bales must be shown on an updated engineering plan. Mendon Conservation Commission must be notified two weeks before any construction begins. Silt fence and hay bales must be inspected prior to construction beginning.

8:30 p.m. NOI hearing, Lot F8A This is a subdivision lot near Miscoe Springs and the roadway of the subdivision. Silt fence and hay bales must be shown on updated engineering plan and inspected before construction begins. Deck and build box must also be added to the plan. The well shall be moved further away from the wetland. Mendon Conservation Commission must be notified two weeks before any construction begins. D. Tinio made and P. Coffin seconded a motion to approve the plan for Lot F8A with noted changes.

F. Lapham informed members that the Sylvan Springs project manager asked whether he could do some trimming prior to hay bales and silt fence being installed. T. Aicardi said that as long as he stays away from the wetland and no equipment such as a skidder is used that would make ruts in the soil he would allow it. F. Lapham will stake where the hay bales will be placed so project manager will know the area to stay within.

Joe Kramer has not recorded his Order of Conditions for 14 Teresa Drive. *Action: D. Willoughby will send a letter requesting it be recorded. D. Tinio will call Joe and remind him, also.*

T. Aicardi to do site visit at Lot 2 Quissett Road to ensure erosion controls are in place.

M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes of November 8, 2007. D. Tinio abstained, as he did not attend that meeting. The motion carried.

Members agreed on the following Thursday meeting dates: January 17, February 7, and March 6, 2008.

Members discussed the activity at 13 Hartford Avenue East. A Request for Determination of Applicability hearing was advertised and held previously for a 60' by 80' wood storage shed. Damon did site visit recently. Owner had brought in 6 trailer loads of dirt to fill in a grassy area. It is approximately 60-100' from the river. Damon told owner to put up silt fence and hay bales. There were logs and split wood on the site. M. Ammendolia visited the site coming in through the cemetery. *Action: D. Willoughby & T. Aicardi will draft a letter reminding owner that he must stay within guidelines of Determination of Applicability.* F. Lapham suggested checking the maps for habitat and 100-year flood plain.

8:15 p.m. Omar Wenger presented his plan for 123 Uxbridge Road. Members requested that the sheds and trailer area as well as the house location be shown on an updated plan with wetlands delineation. Mr. Wenger needs to install silt fence and hay bales if working in the buffer. The hearing will be continued until December 13, 2007 to view the updated plan.

M. Ammendolia read the letter to be sent to Ian Bowles indicating the Conservation Commission's support in requiring an alternatives analysis for the use of Blue Hills Reservation in Randolph to convert over three acres of parkland to a parking lot.

P. Coffin received a complaint from someone who walks on Millville Street in Wesley Estates that Mr. Fino is doing some filling in the woods. *Action: D. Tinio will perform a site visit.*

F. Lapham requested that members perform a site visit to 109 Uxbridge Road in preparation for an NOI hearing on December 13.

Mr. Sweet has not submitted a plan for his driveway yet. *Action: D. Willoughby to send letter requesting him to attend the December 13 Conservation Commission so he may bring in a plan with wetlands delineation*

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Meeting Minutes of December 19, 2007

Attending: T. Aicardi, M. Ammendolia, W. Aten and P. Coffin; Fred Lapham, Shea Engineering and Robert Sweet, 50 Milford Street.

Meeting was called to order at 7:37 p.m.

Members reviewed a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) for 212 Providence Street. Mr. Allaire, the owner, would like to construct a new house with a 32' X 66' foundation. Members requested that the house box be staked out and owner to call when complete. *Action: D. Willoughby to call Mr. Allaire and request him to stake the house box.* Members signed the RDA for 160 Millville Road. D. Tinio performed the site visit and had determined there was no wetland impact to build a 24' X 20' shed behind the house.

T. Aicardi informed members that he was going to perform the site visit to Lot 2 Quissett Road the day of the last snowstorm but was unable. He will try to go there again to ensure erosion controls are in place prior to the next meeting. D. Tinio was not present to provide status on his visit to the Fino property on Millville St. to see if the wetlands were being compromised.

M. Ammendolia reported that the complaint regarding 13 Hartford Avenue East is a Zoning Board issue. Mike had seen the site from the nearby cemetery. He said it did not look like the quantity of wood on site would be for personal use. *Action: D. Willoughby & T. Aicardi to draft a letter to Mr. Berthiaume reiterating the project boundaries and erosion control.*

D. Willoughby informed members that the owner of 105 Providence Street has not recorded the Order of Conditions to replace the existing septic system. Members asked Diane to check with the BOH to see if there is an approved septic plan.

M. Ammendolia brought to the committee's attention an e-mail chain regarding 5 Warfield Road/Cobbler's Knoll. The Surbey's, owners, included paint and thinner being dumped behind their house in an e-mail of unresolved issues to the Board of Health. Mike explained that he responded to the e-mail for the sake of expediency. He got agreement from the committee that future comments will be made as a board as all were in agreement that it is a Board of Health issue.

8:00 p.m. Members reviewed plans for 109 Uxbridge Road. F. Lapham explained that there was a minor revision of an added trenching detail. It is a mixed-use property. The septic system needed to be upgraded. There were two systems, one of which was a cesspool. Fred proposed to consolidate with a gravity line from the front of the building to back and tied it into a Presby System. The system uses a lot of fill. Eight feet of sandy fill will need to be removed from the site. Members agreed hay bales and silt fence need to be installed in the rear of the property around the septic system. Hay bales and silt fence need to be extended along the chain-link fencing. P. Coffin made and M. Ammendolia seconded a motion to approve the plan for 109 Uxbridge Road with the comments noted. The motion carried unanimously.

8:20 p.m. F. Lapham informed members that he did a site walk of Miscoe Springs with Mark of Miscoe Springs. Tom Davis is overseeing the project as Mike Rossi is on medical leave. Fred and Desheng Wang will design a solution to the

problem. They are proposing a shallow, limited, area basin in the back, left corner of the property. P. Coffin suggested installing a sump to keep the basin clean. T. Aicardi directed F. Lapham to keep his eye on the catch basin, see how fast it is filling up and keep it clean. Members suggested paving due to the high truck traffic. T. Aicardi directed D. Willoughby not to release old Order of Conditions, which has expired, until a new plan is submitted. F. Lapham explained that the project has been done but the solution did not work. Fred will attend the January 17 meeting at 7:45 p.m. to provide a status.

8:30 p.m. Mr. Omar Wenger presented his updated plan that showed the existing site and where he proposes to move the existing house. The existing trailer storage is in the buffer zone. T. Aicardi requested that the rest of the flagging be done near the storage area. He also requested silt fence be put in front of wetland or grass be put down to keep sediment from getting into the wetland. A Request for Determination of Applicability will be required if the house is going to be moved. A negative determination will be issued if the house is moved according to the plan presented.

F. Lapham explained that the wells had to be relocated on the lots on the Northbridge Road properties; therefore, the plans had to be revised. Members reviewed the plan for Lot F6A. The Order of Conditions has already been signed and issued. The well is ten feet from the lot line and 13 feet from the wetland.

Members reviewed the revised plan for Lot F5A Northbridge Road. P. Coffin made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the changes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Members reviewed the revised plan for Lot F7A Northbridge Road. W. Aten made and P. Coffin seconded a motion to accept the changes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Members reviewed the revised plan for Lot F8A Northbridge Road. M. Ammendolia made and P. Coffin seconded a motion to accept the changes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

M. Ammendolia made and P. Coffin seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes of November 29, 2007. The motion carried unanimously.

F. Lapham informed members that he would make an engineering plan for 50 Milford Street. He needs to calculate the square footage that was filled which is the area that was flagged. An area will need to be replicated. *Action: D. Willoughby to provide F. Lapham with the plan for Mr. Sweet's house.* M. Sweet wanted to make members aware he had told the members that the owner of 49 Milford Street, Oak Tree Supply, filled a wetland. Members informed Mr. Sweet that the discussion was about his property on 50 Milford Street. M. Ammendolia spoke to Mr. Sweet informing him not to use offense language during a public meeting. Mr. Sweet left the room. Mr. Sweet later returned and apologized to the board and D. Willoughby for using offensive language.

T. Aicardi requested a copy of the letter from the Con. Com. to Adam Klein.

Members signed a typed Determination of Applicability for 39 Vincent Road. A hand-written RDA was signed with a positive determination at the November 29 meeting.

Members reviewed the letter to Arthur Johnson, DEP CERO, requesting a survey of Lake Nipmuc. *Action: D. Willoughby to carbon copy Senator Moore and Representative Fernandes before mailing it out. She will also send Mike a copy so he can bring it to WMRC. Diane will scan the letter sent by Shirley regarding the lake survey to M. Ammendolia.*

Action: D. Willoughby to send copy of Keystone Training information to A. Mazar.

Members would like to stay on the Mass. Congress of Lake and Pond Association mailing list.

Mr. Sweet requested to go on future site visits with members to learn more. Members informed him that anyone is welcome to come but there are usually only scheduled site visits for large projects. Members do site visits at their convenience on smaller projects.

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Willoughby
Administrative Clerk