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TOWN OF MENDON

Conservation Commission
Mendon Town Hall
Mendon, Massachusetts 01756

Meeting Minutes of May 14, 2014

Attending: P. Coffin, W. Aten, M. Ammendolia; John & Ivy Gomersall, 58 Quissett Rd; Chris Dunlap, 3 Robinson Rd; JoAnn Cassano, 2 Robinson Rd; Joy Trahan-Liptak, Lycott Environmental; Patrice Murphy, Meadow Brook Uplands.

Vice-Chairman P. Coffin called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

Members discussed the potential sale of the Pearson property on Quissett Rd. Residents had concerns about excavation and perc testing being done on the property to investigate the potential for a subdivision. The Commissioners said that the property owner is within his rights to allow potential buyers to investigate the potential of the land. However, they should not be doing any excavating within 100 feet of any wetlands. The Commissioners' understanding of the status of the property is that it is under Chapter 61A, meaning that it is agricultural land. As such, the Town of Mendon would have the right of first refusal, meaning that the town would have 90 days to decide whether or not to purchase the land. At this point in time, the property is only potentially being sold, nothing definite has occurred. The Commissioners urged the residents to attend the meetings of other boards, as well as the Conservation Commission meetings, so that they could explore all possibilities they may have to conserve the land or at least protect its resources.

Members discussed the Request for Determination of Applicability for Lake Nipmuc Weed Control. The work was determined to be in an area subject to protection under the Wetlands Protection Act but it will not alter the area. M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to approve the Determination of Applicability for Lake Nipmuc Weed Control as presented. **The motion carried unanimously.**

Members discussed the Meadow Brook Uplands project with Patrice Murphy. Members accepted and signed the Baseline Survey and Management Plan for Meadow Brook Uplands. M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the Conservation Restriction for Meadow Brook Uplands. **The motion carried unanimously.** Members also reviewed Conservation Restrictions for Muddy Brook North & South. M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the Conservation Restriction for Muddy Brook South. **The motion carried unanimously.** M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to accept the Conservation Restriction for Muddy Brook North. **The motion carried unanimously.**

Members reviewed nine Requests for Jurisdictional Project Determinations:

The first request was for 36 Colonial Drive for eleven Sonotube footings for a pool house. The work was determined to have no impact on the wetlands. **All members were in agreement for the approval of the Jurisdictional Project Determination for 36 Colonial Drive.**

The second request was for 21 Puddingstone Lane for an 18x44 addition on the back of the house with a third garage bay. The work was determined to have no impact on the wetlands. **All members were in agreement for the approval of the Jurisdictional Project Determination for 21 Puddingstone Lane.**

The third request was for 45 Kinsley Lane for Sonotube piers for a deck twelve feet out from the house toward the lake. The work was determined to have no impact on the wetlands as long as the piers are dug by hand. **All members were in agreement for the approval of the Jurisdictional Project Determination for 45 Kinsley Lane.**

The fourth request was for 79 Providence Street for a 37x33 in-law apartment. The work was determined to have no impact on the wetlands. **All members were in agreement for the approval of the Jurisdictional Project Determination for 79 Providence Street.**

The fifth request was for 56 Pleasant Street for a new single family home. The work was determined to have no impact on the wetlands. **All members were in agreement for the approval of the Jurisdictional Project Determination for 56 Pleasant Street.**

The sixth request was for 48 Park Street for a pre-built shed within the buffer zone. The work was determined to have no impact on the wetlands as long as there is no grading or digging done. **All members were in agreement for the approval of the Jurisdictional Project Determination for 48 Park Street.**

The seventh request was for 22 Haywood Circle for a shed. The work was determined to have no impact on the wetlands as long as there is no grading or digging done. **All members were in agreement for the approval of the Jurisdictional Project Determination for 22 Haywood Circle.**

The eighth request was for 9 Milford Street for the replacement of the existing 12x20 deck. The work was determined to have no impact on the wetlands. **All members were in agreement for the approval of the Jurisdictional Project Determination for 9 Milford Street.**

The ninth request was for 135 Blackstone Street for a wrap around porch with Sonotube footings. The work was determined to have no impact on the wetlands as long as the footings are dug by hand. **All members were in agreement for the approval of the Jurisdictional Project Determination for 135 Blackstone Street.**

M. Ammendolia made and W. Aten seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes dated April 23, 2014. **The motion carried unanimously.**

Members determined the following future meetings dates: June 4 & 18 and July 9 & 23.

Vice-Chairman P. Coffin made and W. Aten seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Leah Cameron, Administrative Clerk

Documents Discussed located in the Conservation Commission Office:

Meeting minutes of April 23, 2014

Jurisdictional Project Determinations for: 36 Colonial Dr, 21 Puddingstone Ln, 45 Kinsley Ln, 79 Providence St, 56 Pleasant St, 48 Park St, 22 Haywood Cir, 9 Milford St, & 135 Blackstone St

Baseline Survey and Management Plan for Meadow Brook Uplands

Conservation Restrictions for: Meadow Brook Uplands, Muddy Brook North & South

Request for Determination of Applicability & Determination of Applicability for Lake Nipmuc Weed Control