

MENDON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

20 Main Street Mendon, Massachusetts 01756

Meeting Minutes of June 14, 2018

Members present: Tim Aicardi, Mike Ammendolia, Bill Aten, Carl Hommel, Peter Coffin (at 7:29 pm)

Also present: Dave and Jody Kurczy, Peter Lavoie, Joan Caldarella (LNA), David Cushing

Mike Ammendolia called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm.

7:15 pm: The Commission opened the Public Hearing for a Notice of Intent for **24 Pleasant St.** (**DEP# 218-0771**). Peter Lavoie of Turning Point Engineering presented the proposal for construction of a single family home. All parties are aware of a communication from Mass Wildlife stating that their review is incomplete and NHESP has yet to issue its requirements for the project. Bill Aten made a motion, seconded by Carl Hommel, to accept the plan as presented under the condition that all State requirements are met when issued. The motion was passed by majority, with Tim Aicardi recusing himself.

Dave Cushing, of **32 Vincent Rd**., presented plans for construction of a 12x16' shed, asking for the Commission's recommendations. Tim Aicardi made a motion, seconded by Carl Hommel, to file a negative determination of impact for the project. The motion passed unanimously.

At 7:29 Peter Coffin joined the meeting.

7:30 pm: The Commission opened the Public Hearing for a Notice of Intent for **18 Pleasant St**. (**DEP# 218-0770**). Peter Lavoie of Turning Point Engineering presented the proposal for construction of a septic system. All parties are aware of a communication from Mass Wildlife stating that their review is incomplete and NHESP has yet to issue its requirements for the project. Peter Coffin made a motion, seconded by Carl Hommel, to accept the plan as presented under the condition that all State requirements are met when issued. The motion was passed by majority, with Tim Aicardi recusing himself.

Colin Gosselin, of Solitude Lake Management, discussed treatment and contract options for weed control treatments for Lake Nipmuc in the upcoming year. He explained that treatments are typically applied to 10 acres of the lake, including a 5 acre area near the marina and where milfoil can be heavy near Alicante Restaurant. The Commission explained its constraint of \$3000 that is currently budgeted for FY19 treatments and made note that a warrant article for an upcoming Special Town Meeting is needed to request additional funds to complete treatments. Mr. Gosselin offered to modify the contract to provide treatment of the most critical 7-acre area for the amount of \$3000. Peter Coffin made a motion, seconded by Bill Aten to enter into a contract for \$3000 for treatment of the 7 acre area as proposed. The motion passed unanimously. Joan Caldarella offered a contribution of \$500 from Lake Nipmuc Association to help cover the costs. Solitude Lake Management agreed to update the Commission on any new treatment options and consider improvements in notifying abutting residents about avoiding using the lake on and after treatment dates. The Clerk was instructed to research what can be done to alleviate any blockage to outlet flow from Lake Nipmuc by contacting The Army Corps of Engineers, Mass DEP, or other resources.

The Commission considered approving an **Emergency Certification Form** to permit breaching of beaver dams near the outlet of Lake Nipmuc. Mike Ammendolia made a motion, seconded by Carl Hommel to sign the Emergency Certification Form. The motion passed unanimously.

The Commission tabled discussion of the recent trail work at **53 Quissett Rd.** (**DEP# 218-0760**) until the Commission's Clerk and Liz Newlands from Mass Wildlife can be consulted for reports.

The Commission reviewed recently submitted Jurisdictional Project Determination requests. Carl Hommel made a motion, seconded by Peter Coffin, to find negative determinations for projects proposed at the **Mendon Town Beach**, **93 North Ave.**, **7 Oak Hill Rd.**, **and 43 Quissett Rd.** The motion passed unanimously.

The Commission tabled acceptance of the Meeting Minutes of May 24, 2018, pending corrections.

At 8:31, Carl Hommel made a motion, seconded by Tim Aicardi, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Documents on File used for this meeting:

Notice of Intent for 24 Pleasant St. (DEP# 218-0771) Notice of Intent for 18 Pleasant St. (DEP# 218-0770) Solitude Lake Management contract proposal for 2018 Order of Conditions extension for Lake Nipmuc (DEP# 218-0725)

Order of Conditions for 53 Quissett Rd. (DEP# 218-0760)

Minutes prepared by Bill McHenry, clerk