

MENDON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

20 Main Street Mendon, Massachusetts 01756

Meeting Minutes of October 25, 2018

Members present: Damon Tinio, Mike Ammendolia, Carl Hommel, Emilio Perez, Bill Aten

Chairman Tinio called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

The Commission opened a discussion on controlling the water level of Lake Nipmuc on an ongoing basis. Residents will be meeting with the Board of Selectmen to inform them of the current situation and the need for ongoing maintenance efforts, which might include beaver trapping, beaver dam breaching, and removal of accumulated debris to improve flow between the lake and a concrete dam near 24 Pleasant St. The Clerk and residents will explore possible assistance through The Army Corp of Engineers, Mendon's State Representative, or other suggestions as they arise.

7:30 pm - The Commission opened the Public Hearing for a Notice of Intent for septic systems replacement at **89 Blackstone St. (DEP# 218-0776)**. Margaret Bacon (of Civil Site Engineering) presented plans for the proposed project. Mike Ammendolia made a motion, seconded by Carl Hommel, to approve the plan as presented, subject to receipt of the assigned file number from MA DEP with no DEP comments / concerns. The motion carried unanimously.

Fred Lapham (of Shea Engineering) requested a three-year extension of the Order of Conditions for **12B Asylum St. (DEP# 218-0739).** Mike Ammendolia made a motion, seconded by Carl Hommel, to approve the request. The motion carried unanimously.

7:45 pm - The Commission resumed the Public Hearing for a Notice of Intent for a solar project at **35 Cape Rd.** (**DEP# 218-0774**). Rich Riccio (of Field Engineering) indicated that MA DEP had no comment or feedback from the questions he submitted (at the request of the Mendon Conservation Commission) for review. Mike Ammendolia made a motion, seconded by Carl Hommel, to approve the (previously revised) plan as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

The Commission scheduled a site inspection at 10:30 am on Saturday, October 27th at Pond Meadow Estates in advance of considering Requests for Certificates of Compliance for **12 Pond St. (DEP# 218-0750), 14 Pond St.** (DEP# 218-0752), and **15 Pond St. (DEP# 218-0753).**

Bill Halsing (of Land Planning) submitted a Request for Determination of Applicability for emergency replacement of a failing water well at **69 Mowry St.**, explaining the proposed replacement will be farther from the resource area than the current well. Mike Ammendolia made a motion, seconded by Peter Coffin, to find a negative determination (approving the project as presented) as long as erosion controls depicted in the plan presented are in place. The motion carried unanimously.

Carl Hommel made a motion, seconded by Peter Coffin, to accept the Meeting Minutes of September 27, 2018. The motion passed unanimously.

At 8:10 pm Carl Hommel made a motion, seconded by Peter Coffin, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Documents on File used for this meeting:

Residents' communication of concerns for ongoing water level management of Lake Nipmuc Notice of Intent for 89 Blackstone St. (DEP# 218-0776) Notice of Intent for 35 Cape Rd. Solar project (DEP# 218-0774) Order of Conditions for 12B Asylum St. (DEP# 218-0739) Order of Conditions for 12 Pond Street. (DEP# 218-0750) Order of Conditions for 14 Pond Street. (DEP# 218-0752) Order of Conditions for 15 Pond Street. (DEP# 218-0753) Request for Determination of Applicability for 69 Mowry St.

Minutes prepared by Bill McHenry, clerk