



MENDON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

20 Main Street
Mendon, Massachusetts 01756

Meeting Minutes of July 11, 2019

Members present: Tim Aicardi, Bill Aten, Carl Hommel, Emilio Perez, Peter Coffin

Tim Aicardi called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

The Commission reviewed a plan proposed by Nitant Raval for installation of a second water well on his property at **2 Pond St.** Carl Hommel made a motion, seconded by Emilio Perez, to approve the plan, subject to revisions showing placement of hay bales and silt barrier fencing 5 feet around the drilling site, and location of a sump area. The Conservation office must receive the revised plan and be notified before work commences. The motion passed unanimously.

Peter Coffin reported on his site visit at **53 Quissett Rd.** (DEP# 218-0760) to inspect culvert repairs with Becky Kalagher (Bay State Trail Riders) and Liz Newlands (Mass Wildlife). It was agreed that more work will be required to complete the repairs. The Clerk was instructed to remind the applicant to file for an Extension Permit before the Order of Conditions expires on 2/28/2020.

The Commission considered the Request for a Certificate of Compliance for **11 Puffer Dr.** (DEP# 218-0755). Bill Aten made a motion, seconded by Emilio Perez, to approve the request. The motion passed unanimously.

The Commission considered the Request for Determination of Applicability for proposed septic system repairs at **71 Hartford Ave. East.** Peter Coffin made a motion, seconded by Carl Hommel, to find for a Negative Determination, subject to placement of silt fencing along the toe of the slope (at 96' elevation), and leaving the existing leach field in place. The motion passed unanimously.

The Commission discussed the BOS Routing Slip for a Temporary Trailer Permit at **138 Blackstone St.** Carl Hommel made a motion, seconded by Peter Coffin, to communicate to the applicant, Building Department, and Board of Selectmen that the Conservation Commission has no objection of permitting a temporary trailer if the reconstruction at the site will use the previous foundation and there is no soil alteration within 100 feet of wetland areas. The motion passed unanimously.

Peter Coffin stepped down to deliver a report on the value of cold water fisheries as a representative of the Blackstone River Coalition. The Commission asked Mr. Coffin to obtain a map to identify all the cold water fisheries within the Town of Mendon and to explore grant opportunities from the MA Environmental Trust.

The Commission reviewed the notification from Eversource regarding its maintenance plans and foliage treatments scheduled through October, 2019. The Clerk was instructed to send via e-mail the Web links shown in the letter so Commissioners can review details of the plan, such as specific treatment areas and herbicides to be used.

Peter Coffin made a motion, seconded by Emilio Perez, to approve payment of MACC dues for FY20 in the amount of \$503. The motion passed unanimously.

Peter Coffin made a motion, seconded by Emilio Perez, to accept the Meeting Minutes of May 23, 2019. The motion passed unanimously.

The Clerk was instructed to inquire of the Town Administrator and other Town officials about appropriating funds from "Reserve" accounts to fund Con Com activities.

The Clerk was instructed to inquire about overdue submissions required by the Unilateral Administrative Order issued by MA DEP regarding activity at 45-49 Uxbridge Rd.

At 8:29 pm, Peter Coffin made a motion, seconded by Carl Hommel, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Documents on File used for this meeting:

Order of Conditions for 11 Puffer Dr. (DEP# 218-0755)

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

Request for Determination of Applicability 71 Hartford Ave. East

Minutes prepared by Bill McHenry, clerk