

Minutes of the Ashburnham Conservation Commission  
August 9, 2010

Present: MD: Marshall Dennis, Chairman CP: Christopher Picone  
AA: Alana Archangelo

7:30 PM MD opened the meeting of the Ashburnham Conservation Commission under the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, and in accordance with the Ashburnham Wetlands Protection Bylaw and associated Rules and Regulations.

7:30 PM Angel Lehtonen of Northland Engineers was present on behalf of **Harry Clermont and Judith Woodworth of 38 Stodge Meadow Road**. She had filed an After-the-Fact RDA for an emergency tight tank installation. She reported the tank was installed, the disturbed area had been reseeded and the old tank had been filled. A couple of trees had also been removed to make room for the new tank.

CP: Motion to issue a Negative Determination of Applicability per plan and discussion.

AA: Seconded the Motion

Motion carried unanimously 3-0

7:45 PM MD opened the Notice of Intent public hearing for the **Fitchburg Sportsmen's Club of 289 Rindge State Road**. This meeting was a continuation from July 26, 2010 and Christopher Mackenzie was present to represent the club regarding improvements to its rifle range. After MD, AA, and former Commission Member Lorraine DeSouza visited the site on July 14<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Mackenzie reported that Mr. Charles Caron returned to recheck the presence of vegetated wetlands not noted previously. As a result, the plans have been updated and the target area has been adjusted. A total of 1,424 square feet of wetlands are to be replicated at a new location and New England Wetmix will be used for reseeded instead of Rice Cutgrass.

MD asked if Mr. Caron would be monitoring the replication area and requested that some of the vegetation to be disturbed be planted in the replication area in an effort to expedite the establishment of vegetation.

With respect to a separate filing by the FSC, MD noted that the Determination of Negligible Impact for the building improvements west of Route 119 was returned as undeliverable. Mr. Mackenzie stated that it should be forwarded to Mr. Paul Lyneck, the architect.

CP: Motion to close the hearing.

AA: Seconded the Motion

Motion carried unanimously 3-0

CP: Motion to accept the NOI per plan and discussion.

AA: Seconded the Motion.

Motion carried unanimously 3-0.

8:00 PM MD presented a request for a **Certificate of Compliance** on behalf of Angel Lehtonen of Northland Engineers for **70 Heather Dunn Road** relative to the completion of an onsite sewage disposal system. Ms. Lehtonen reported that the area has been covered in bark mulch and is stable. MD stated that he had visited the site and confirmed that the area of disturbance was stabilized.

AA: Motion to grant the Certificate of Compliance for 70 Heather Dunn Road  
CP: Seconded the Motion  
Motion carried unanimously 3-0

8:05 PM MD presented a **Request for an Extension of an Order of Conditions** for **155 Winchendon Road** on behalf of Angel Lehtonen of Northland Engineers. The Request pertained to the construction of a single family home and driveway.

CP: Motion to approve the Extension Order Request for 155 Winchendon Road.  
AA: Seconded the Motion.  
Motion carried unanimously 3-0.

8:15 PM **Mr. John Harrison** presented information to the Commission regarding the potential **construction of a single family home at 117 South Main Street**. The 5,000 square foot lot currently has an abandoned house on it and is completely located in a riparian zone. MD told Mr. Harrison to check for a catch basin near the front of the property, and to complete and submit an Notice of Intent for the project. MD indicated that silt fencing will need to be installed along the edge of the adjacent river and that a topographic plan of the property would be required as part of the NOI. The lot and current building predates the Town Wetlands Protection Bylaw by more than 50 years so the new construction will be grandfathered. MD asked what would be done with the foundation and reminded Mr. Harrison about proper disposal of the construction debris and the oil tank.

Other Business:

- MD received a fax from the Sunset Lake Association stating that herbicides will be applied at the lake on August 11<sup>th</sup>.
- MD received a Forest Cutting Plan dated July 28, 2010 for a ± 23 acre property off Holden Street, owned by P. Gregory Smith. The Commission discussed the Plan and will forward any comments to DCR.

AA: Motion to close the meeting  
CP: Seconded the Motion  
Motion carried unanimously 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM

Respectfully submitted by:  
Alana Archangelo, Conservation Commission Member