

Minutes of the Ashburnham Conservation Commission
July 6, 2011

Present: MD: Marshall Dennis, Chairman
AA: Alana Archangelo

CP: Christopher Picone

6:32 PM MD opened the meeting of the Ashburnham Conservation Commission under the MA Wetland Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, and in accordance with the Ashburnham Protection Bylaw and associated Rules and Regulations

6:33 PM MD opened the Public Hearing for **Adam and Catrina Rivard of Kraetzer Road**, for the Notice of Intent for the construction of a new single family residence and associated sewage disposal system, portions of which will occur in the 100-foot buffer zone of vegetated wetlands that border an intermittent stream. Angel Lehtonen of Northland Engineering was in attendance to represent the Rivards. The disturbed area will just barely be in the buffer zone- most of it being 75 feet from the stream. Since the work area is so far away from the stream, the Commission gave permission for the use of hay bales as opposed to the preferred straw bales. The bales will be originating from Perma Transportation in Ashby, MA.

CP- Motion to close the Hearing

AA- Seconded

Motion carried unanimously 3-0

CP- Motion to approve the plans as discussed

AA- Seconded

Motion carried unanimously 3-0

Ms. Lehtonen requested the Order of Conditions be mailed to Northland Engineers so she can hold the chain of command.

6:40 PM MD stated the need to reissue the Order of Conditions for 155 Winchendon Road DEP # 092-760 due to a clerical error.

CP- Motion to reissue Order of Conditions for 155 Winchendon Road

AA- Seconded

Motion carried unanimously 3-0

6:43 PM MD opened the Public Hearing for **John and Mary Dowd of 50 Lake Shore Drive** being represented by **Moulton Construction** for the Notice of Intent pertaining to the demolition of an existing single-family house and replacement with a similar sized home and foundation within the 100-foot buffer zone to Lake Watatic. Mr. and Mrs. Dowd were present as was John Moulton. Mr. Moulton informed the Commission that the home was destroyed August 25, 2010 by fire and the septic system was fairly new. He stated that there was a need to put in a new foundation, so diggin would be involved in the project, but there were no grading issues as the area towards the water was flat and grassy. MD had been to the area and concurred. MD mentioned an existing shed that was currently in the wetland area that would need to be moved. Mr. Moulton assured the

Commission and the Dowds that it would not be a problem to move the shed further away from the wetland- at a distance no closer than another existing shed on the same property. MD stated all action must occur within the silt fence barrier indicated on the plans. MD also stated that he did not receive the green notification postcards from the abutters for this NOI Hearing and Mr. Moulton assured him they would be sent to the Commission as he simply forgot them. MD explained that the Order of Conditions would contain a timeline or checklist of what action needs to be taken before the next action is taken, which will include visits from the Conservation Agent or Commission members, and that Mr. Moulton needs to make sure all the contractors and subcontractors sign this Affidavit of Understanding. Mr. Moulton agreed and stated that was standard procedure for his projects.

CP- Motion to close the Public Hearing
AA- Seconded
Motion carried unanimously 3-0

CP- Motion to approve per plan and discussion the Order of Conditions
AA- Seconded
Motion carried unanimously 3-0

Other Business:

- The Commission reviewed and revised the Minutes of the May 23, 2011 meeting
MD- Motion to accept minutes as discussed and revised
CP- Seconded
Motion carried unanimously 3-0

7:09 PM- MD- Motion to adjourn
AA- Seconded
Motion carried unanimously 3-0

Respectfully submitted by Alana Archangelo, Conservation Commission Member
July 11, 2011