

**Minutes of the Ashburnham Conservation Commission
September 10, 2012**

Present:

MD: Marshall Dennis, Chairman

CP: Christopher Picone

AA: Alana Archangelo

6:35 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.

Other Business

Gary Howland, of the Ashburnham Conservation Trust (ACT) was present to have the Commission sign the Memorandum of Agreement to have the ACT reimbursed for fees accrued during the Conservation Restriction Property acquisition on the Sallie Thoma property.

Mr. Howland updated the Commission on the Bush Hill Forestry Project. The Cutting Plan needs to go out to bid and they need at least 3 bidders. Mr. Howland will come to the next meeting with 3 names.

Mr. Howland said there is no update on the OSRP.

6:45 PM

MD opened the Public Hearing for **154 Ashby Road owned by Robert and Carolyn Johnson** for a **Notice of Intent** pertaining to the construction of a single family dwelling with well and septic system and associated driveway, grading, landscaping, and utilities. Mr. Bill Hannigan of Hannigan's Engineering was present representing the Johnsons. Mr. George Young was present as an abutter. It was noticed that there is already a 154 Ashby Road Map 66, Parcel 61 so this location will have to have a different number. Mr. Hannigan explained to the Commission that the swale on the plan will be grass on the side and rip rap on the bottom. For erosion controls, there will be silt fencing and hay bales. MD suggested either straw bales or straw wattles that are at least 12 inches tall along the frontage by Route 101 on the corners of the site. A Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans (SWPPP) needs to be filled with the EPA. MD requested a copy of the SWPPP report.

MD- Motion to close the Public Hearing for 154 Ashby Road

CP- Seconded

Unanimously passed 3-0

MD- Motion to issue an Order of Conditions for 154 Ashby Road per plan revised to include 12" straw wattles

CP- Seconded

Unanimously passed 3-0

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Other Business:

The Commission signed the Order of Conditions for 154 Ashby Road, Map 66 Parcel 61, DEP #-92-0871.

MD- Motion to issue a Certificate of Compliance for Richard Sisson of 64 Stowell Road (Map 64 Parcel 18) for a septic system. DEP # 092-0345

CP- Seconded

Unanimously passed 3-0

MD- Motion to approve Minutes from January 9, March 12, June 11, June 25, and July 16, 2012 per edits

CP- Seconded

Unanimously passed 3-0

MD updated the Commission on Lower Naukeag Lake Association- Mr. Tom Smolinsky has spoken to Richard Hartley, a Fisheries Biologist with the state, explaining the Lake's Drawdown challenges. MD will coordinate with Mr. Smolinsky regarding the Department of Fish and Game's response.

7:37 PM

MD- Motion to adjourn

AA- Seconded

Unanimously passed 3-0

Respectfully submitted by Alana Archangelo, Conservation Commission Member