

**Minutes of the Ashburnham Conservation Commission  
November 26, 2012**

**Present:**

MD: Marshall Dennis, Chairman

CP: Christopher Picone

AA: Alana Archangelo

**6:45 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:**

Commission signed the Order of Conditions for 40 Ashby Road, Charles and Helen Collins pertaining to the upgrade of a failing sewage disposal system for an existing single family house within the Riverfront Area and Buffer Zone, DEP # 092-0873.

**7:00 PM**

MD opened the Public Hearing regarding a **Request for an Amended Order of Conditions** for **Stodge Meadow Pond** relative to the repair and/or replacement of the existing Low Level Outlet located within the 100 foot buffer zone of land under water body and a bordering vegetated wetland. **Bob Gingras, President of the Stodge Meadow Pond Association**, was present. In attendance with Bob were Denis Maguy, Donald Gillis, Donald Leger, and Scott Silver of the Stodge Meadow Association, and Gary Gannon, who is not a member of the Association. AA is a member of the Association as well. Mr. Gingras and Mr. Maguy spoke about the condition of the Dam, which is currently in Phase I of its upgrade. There was leaking at a rate of about 10 gallons per minute, so sand bags were placed in the hole and now the leak is down to about 2 gallons or less per minute. Mr. Maguy expressed the need to have the low level outlet working. Bay State Reclamation is the company they will be working with. They have to see if the faulty part can be re-machined or must be replaced. They will use cameras to document is to have no water.

MD stated that the Permit Extension Act automatically extends the current Order of Conditions for four more years, to 2018. He questioned whether approving the amendment would negate the extension or whether the Commission should just proceed with the Amendment. The Commission decided to proceed as proposed.

MD- Motion to close the Public Hearing for the Amended Order of Conditions

CP- Seconded

Unanimously passed 3-0

MD- Motion to issue the Amended Order of Conditions for the project per plan and discussion

CP-Seconded

Unanimously passed 3-0

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**7:26 PM**

MD opened the Public Hearing regarding the **Notice of Intent** pertaining to the repair/upgrade of an onsite sewage disposal system within the 100 foot buffer zone of Lake Watatic for **Joseph and Bernice Thomas of 44 Lake Shore Drive**. Mr. John Deline was present with Mr. Thomas. Mr. Deline explained that the leach field will be moved out of the 100 foot buffer zone and two tanks are within 25 foot setback from a resource area.

MD- Motion to close the Public Hearing for **Joseph and Bernice Thomas of 44 Lake Shore Drive** pertaining to the repair/upgrade of an onsite sewage disposal system within the 100 foot buffer zone of Lake Watatic.

CP- Seconded

Unanimously passed 3-0

MD- Motion to issue an Order of Conditions for **Joseph and Bernice Thomas of 44 Lake Shore Drive** pertaining to the repair/upgrade of an onsite sewage disposal system within the 100 foot buffer of Lake Watatic.

CP- Seconded

Unanimously passed 3-0

**7:31 PM**

Due to the absence of **David Christianson of 191 Lake Road** regarding a **Notice of Intent** for the installation of a new septic system and site grading within the 100 foot buffer zone of a bordering vegetated wetland at 6:45 PM, MD opened the hearing and moved to continue the Public Hearing to December 10 at 6:45 PM.

CP- Seconded

Unanimously passed 3-0

**7:36 PM**

CP- Seconded

Unanimously passed 3-0

Respectfully submitted by Alana Archangelo, Conservation Member December 10, 2012