

**Minutes of the Ashburnham Conservation Commission
June 22, 2015**

Present: MD: Marshall Dennis
CP Christopher Picone
AA Alana Archangelo
AH Andrew Henderson

Absent: None.

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 Wetlands Protection Bylaw and associated Rules and Regulations.

6:35 PM **Request For Determination, Cushing Academy Field on Central St.,** Brian Milisci from Whitman & Bingham was present to represent the Trustees of Cushing Academy. They would like to use the field located on Central St., adjacent to the Public Safety Complex, for the stockpiling of soils from the construction of the new Athletic Facility.

MD met with Matt Mauro on the morning of June 22 at the site. Five flags were changed (flags 107-111) the plan needs to be updated to the changes. It is also necessary that the culvert not be covered where it discharges, the invert of the culvert should be included. The field notes from Mr. Mauro are also requested.

A new revised plan is requested for the meeting of July 13, 2015. It was suggested that if a Negative Determination is issued that a condition is needed for filing a NOI for the final disposition of the stockpiled soil.

MD Motioned to continue the hearing to the next meeting on 7/13/2015 at 6:30 PM.

CP Seconded the Motion.

Approved 4-0, unanimously.

6:45 PM **Request For Revision, Brandon Funeral Home, 17 Main St.,** Due to a structural challenge in the original design they would like to change the layout of the driveway. They need to revise the driveway and planting plan, verify the layout with zoning and meet again with the Commission on June 22nd regarding the acceptance of the new plan. No one was present to represent the applicant.

MD Motioned to continue the hearing to the next meeting on 7/13/2015 at 6:45 PM.

CP Seconded the Motion.

Approved 4-0, unanimously.

6:50 PM **Request For Determination, 6 Vallerie Circle, the Estate of Robert Grant applicant.** Chris Mossman of Trowbridge Engineering represented the applicant. The Request was for the replacement of an existing subsurface disposal system partially within the Buffer Zone

of a Vegetated Wetland. Mr. Mossman stated that the area is relatively flat with a swale. He has not filed with the Board of Health yet but has a target date for starting in July.

MD Motioned to issue a Negative Determination of Applicability for the replacement of the system.

CP Seconded the Motion.

Approved 4-0, unanimously.

6:55 PM **Request For Revision, Brandon Funeral Home, 17 Main St.** Mr. Lawrence Brandon was present with the revised plan for the driveway, and MD opened the hearing for a revision to an existing plan.

The new plan shows changes to the retaining wall and new planting locations. The silt fence on the neighboring property has been removed.

MD Motioned to issue an amended NOI for the driveway change.

CP Seconded the Motion.

Approved 4-0, unanimously.

7:05 PM **Notice of Intent, Sweeney Playground, South main St.**, Ashburnham Parks & Recreation is the applicant, they were represented by Cheryl Goller, Gail Dumont and Mike Salem were also present for the Parks & Recreation Dept..

The proposal is for a handicapped accessible paved walking surface approximately 5 feet wide and 900 feet long around the perimeter of the playground. The playground is within the riverfront for the Whitman River but all the work would be within the fence of the already developed playground area. Wattles will be used along the work area adjacent to the stream and loam and seeding of the disturbed areas to prevent erosion.

MD Motioned to close the hearing for the walking path at Sweeney Playground.

CP Seconded the Motion.

Approved 4-0, unanimously.

MD Motioned to issue an Order of Conditions per the plan & discussion.

CP Seconded the Motion.

Approved 4-0, unanimously.

7:15 PM **Notice of Intent, 217 Lakeshore Dr.**, Jaline Massa-Taylor applicant. A garage addition to an existing home within the Riverfront Area is proposed. Jaline Massa-Taylor & Rick Taylor were present.

MD Proposed the placement of staked hay-bales around the work area.

MD Motioned to close the hearing for 217 Lakeshore Dr..

CP Seconded the Motion.

Approved 4-0, unanimously.

MD Motioned to issue an Order of Conditions per the plan & discussion.

CP Seconded the Motion.

Approved 4-0, unanimously.

7:10 PM Other Business

MD Motioned to revise Condition # 23 on the Special Conditions attached to the Order of Conditions for Lots 1 & 2 Wilker Rd. to read 100 foot Buffer rather than 50 foot Buffer in two places.

CP Seconded the Motion.

Approved 4-0, unanimously.

The Commission approved and signed the Order of Conditions for Lots 1 & 2 Wilker Rd.

CP – Will not be attending the meetings scheduled for July 27th and August 10th.

7:45 PM

MD Motioned to adjourn the meeting.

CP Seconded the Motion.

Approved 4-0, unanimously.