

Town of Ayer Conservation Commission

Town Hall * One Main Street * Ayer, MA 01432 * 978-772-8249 * 978-772-8208 (fax)
Minutes for 2/9/12 – Approved 2/23/12

Location: Ayer Police Station, Community Room

Members present: Bill Daniels (BD, Chair), George Bacon (GB), Takashi Tada (TT), Jessica Gugino (JG, Clerk), Warren Ball (WB), Becky DaSilva-Conde (CA, Conservation Administrator)

APAC taped: No

7:28 PM – Open Meeting

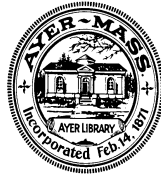
- **Confirmation of Agenda**
 - CA added an item to the agenda to include resigning a deed.
 - GB moved to accept agenda as amended; TT 2nd.
 - Motion approved unanimously.

- **Deed Resigning**
 - The original deed for parcel H2, donated to the Town by Crabtree Development as part of its settlement agreement with the EPA and signed by ConCom on 2/15/11, was lost in BOS office.
 - ConCom signed the replacement deed.

- **Meeting Minutes Approval**
 - GB moved to accept the minutes for 1/26/12 as written; TT 2nd.
 - Motion approved unanimously.

- **ConCom Organization**
 - BD suggested a Vice-Chair be elected.
 - JG moved to nominate GB as Vice-Chair; WB 2nd.
 - Motion approved 4-1 (GB voting against himself).
 - BD said GB's service was duly noted, along with his recalcitrance.

- **CA Updates**
 - ConCom Budget
 - \$554.84 remains in the budget for this fiscal year.
 - CA suggested items to consider ordering:
 - a box or two of letterhead envelopes
 - a couple of cases of paper for photocopying
 - ink cartridges for the color printer
 - ConCom badges
 - The Fire Department now has the capability to produce identification badges.
 - CA will have ConCom join a group purchase of badges which will be made in March.
 - CA said ConCom members' use of identification badges will alleviate complaints of trespassing.
 - The Willows, Enforcement Order
 - CA said things are moving along.



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- The developer has submitted its Wetlands Mitigation Plan for remediation to MassDEP.
- Phil Nadeau, of MassDEP will hold a negotiation meeting with the developer on 2/27 to formulate the Consent Agreement for moving forward.
- Pingry Hill
 - Steve Mullaney, of SJ Mullaney Engineering Inc., submitted NOIs for 4 lots.
 - The first Public Hearing for these NOIs will be at ConCom's next meeting on 2/24.
 - BD said site walks will likely have to wait until spring budding in order for ConCom to adequately be able to identify wetland plants, etc. -- unless the developer solicits the services of a third-party expert.
 - CA noted a question about lot 50A (272 Old Farm Way).
 - The written application indicates the building of a backyard retaining wall just 3 ft. from BVW.
 - Looking at the plans, it appears this may be a typo, but ConCom will have to clarify this at the Hearing.
- **Discussion: Wetlands Permit Application Information Packet**
 - Document editing continued.
- **10:15 PM – Adjourn Meeting**
 - GB moved to adjourn; TT 2nd.
 - Motion approved unanimously.