

# **Town of Ayer Conservation Commission**

Town Hall \* One Main Street \* Ayer, MA 01432 \* 978-772-8249 \* 978-772-8208 (fax) Minutes for 11/17/11 – Approved 1/26/12

Location: Town Hall, 1st Floor Meeting Room

Members present: Bill Daniels (BD, Chair), George Bacon (GB), Takashi Tada (TT, Clerk), Becky

DaSilva-Conde (CA, Conservation Administrator) Not present: Jess Gugino (JG), Warren Ball (WB)

APAC taped: Yes

### 7:00 PM - Open Meeting

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Agenda
  - Add 8:00 Discussion: 138 Snake Hill Road Jerry Lorden, Benjamin Builders
- Payables
  - o DPW Laptop for Stormwater Implementation: \$266.52
    - Amount represents one third of total cost of \$799.57
    - GB moved to approve payment of \$266.52 from WPA Funds account; TT 2<sup>nd</sup>.
      - Motion approved unanimously.
- Public Hearing: NOI Ayer DPW Pump Station, Groton School Road
  - o Onsite Engineering is the project contractor.
  - o The hearing date in the Legal Notice was incorrect.
  - o GB moved to continue the hearing to next meeting, 12/1/11; TT 2<sup>nd</sup>.
    - Motion approved unanimously.
- Public Hearing (cont'd): NOI Emily's Way Subdivision (DEP #100-0345)
  - o CA will issue the Order of Conditions following the example of Ridgeview Phase 3.
  - o Commission approved the project during previous meeting.
    - GB moved to close the hearing and sign the OOC; TT 2<sup>nd</sup>.
      - Motion approved unanimously.
- CA Updates
  - The Willows DEP Administrative Order
    - CA received a report from The Willows' erosion control specialist, Mary Trudeau.
    - According to the report, turbidity has been reduced and the site has seen overall improvement.
    - CA will verify that the basin has been constructed to original size.
    - CA also received copy of DEP's Administrative Order, dated 11/1/11, addressed to Bruce Wheeler of Habitech Homes.
  - o Ridgeview/Pingry Hill Erosion Problems along Hickory Way
    - CA spoke with Rick Roper and told him to hire an erosion control specialist.
    - Mr. Roper said he would respond next week.
  - COC Requests



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- CA will conduct site visits to follow up on the requests.
- Stormwater
  - CA met with BOS
  - BOS did not authorize an increase in hours despite Town Meeting's approval of the budget line item.
  - CA provided a response packet to BOS.
  - Next BOS meeting is 11/22/11; stormwater discussion is scheduled at 8:00 PM.

### Member Updates/Issues

- o BD: Stratton Hill
  - BD asked about status of road paving along Wright Road.
- TT: Balch Dam board removal
  - TT asked if letter requesting board removal had been sent to Fire Chief.
  - CA will send letter to Chief Pedrazzi on Friday.

#### Site Walks

- o Autumn Ridge Saturday, 11/19/11, at 9:00 AM.
- o Pingry Hill donated parcel following Autumn Ridge

## Discussion: 138 Snake Hill Road (DEP #100-0344)

- o Jerry Lorden and Lisa Marino of Benjamin Builders
- o The lot was cleared prior to finalization of the OOC; therefore CA issued an Enforcement Order (cease and desist).
- o BD reminded Mr. Lorden and Ms. Marino that the OOC must be recorded prior to starting work.
- o CA did inspect the erosion controls prior to work.
- o Mr. Lorden provided a copy of a letter from Sharon Carter, addressed to Ayer Building Inspector Gabe Vallente, giving Mr. Lorden permission to pull a building permit.

#### • 8:00 PM – Adjourn Meeting

- o GB moved to adjourn; TT 2<sup>nd</sup>.
  - Motion approved unanimously.