

MINUTES
Becket Conservation Commission
Becket Town Hall 557 Main Street
6:30 PM January 16, 2014

Commissioners Present: Scott Morley, Chair; Richard Pryor, Vice Chair; Bud Moylan; Purr McEwen; Laurel Burgwardt; Kathy Vsetecka, Agent

Commissioner Absent: Marty Winters

Members of the Public: Matthew Puntin, SK Design Group Inc; Cindy Delpapa

Meeting opened at 6:32 PM with Mr. Pryor presiding.

1. **Approval of minutes of the December 19, 2013 meeting.**

Motion to approve the minutes by Mr. Moylan; second by Ms. McEwen. Unanimous approval.

2. **Notice of Intent Dennis Gasser 273 Benton Hill Road Map 209 Lot 4 DEP #102-0396 The repair of the stone headwall along an intermittent stream**

Matthew Puntin of SK Design Group presenting. Ms. Vsetecka met with the owner and his contractor a few months ago. At that time it was discussed extending the culvert in this stream and the perennial stream under another stream crossing. It has been decided not to extend either culvert. Picture shows that a part of the headwall has eroded and there is a large hole. The headwall is basically constructed of large rocks. The plan is to remove parts of the stone headwall that are falling; replacing them and rebuilding, and back filling with crushed stone to the top of the crossing. Gravel will then be added at the top. The culvert is a corrugated metal pipe that has some rust but overall is in good condition. No work will be done in Land Under Water. This project is in both the buffer zone and riverfront. The work will be done when it is dry; there will be no need to deflect the water from the intermittent stream to the perennial stream. The work should be done in 1 to 2 days. A mini excavator will be used for some of the work. Any soils excavated will be taken off site.

Open to the public at 6:48 PM. No comments

Motion by Mr. Moylan to close the public comment time. Second by Ms. McEwen. Unanimous approval

Public input closed at 6:49 PM.

Motion by Ms. McEwen to approve the Notice of Intent with Becket Standard Conditions; and the condition that nothing smaller than 6" diameter stone be stored on site over 3 consecutive dry days. Any debris or

stones that may fall into the riverbed during the construction process be removed.

Second by Mr. Pryor. Unanimous approval.

(Original Order of Conditions to be mailed to Mr. Puntin.)

3. **Administrative**

a. Finalizing of the budget for FY 2015 (7/1/14—6/30/15)

Mr. Pryor presented the budget. He and Ms. Vsetecka had met and discussed it; he had also submitted it to Mr. Gibson, Town Administrator

Motion by Ms. McEwen to accept the budget as presented. Second by Ms. Burgwardt. Unanimous approval.

b. Annual Town Report

Ms. Vsetecka is working on this.

c. Other

MACC Notice of Annual Environmental Workshops presented.

Report for Sherwood Forest Dams—Little and Big Robin—put on file.

Ms. Vsetecka has officially tendered her resignation effective January 31, 2014.

Motion by Mr. Moylan to adjourn. Second by Ms. McEwen. Unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 7:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathleen A. Vsetecka