

MINUTES
Becket Conservation Commission
Becket Town Hall, 557 Main Street
6:30 PM, December 17, 2015

Commissioners Present: Richard Pryor, Vice Chairperson; Cindy Delpapa; Karen Karlberg; Shepley Evans, Agent.

Commissioners Absent: Alison Dixon, Chairperson

Members of the Public: Joe Rogers

Meeting opened at 6:30 PM with Vice Chairman Richard Pryor presiding.

- 1. Approval of the Minutes of meeting of November 19, 2015.**
Motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Ms. Karlberg, to accept the minutes of November 19, 2015 as circulated. Unanimous approval.

- 2. Request for Determination of Applicability** – submitted by Stockbridge Stone LLC for Nancy Heller, property at 321 Tyne Road, Map 203 Lot 49. Removal of a failing fieldstone retaining wall and replacement with an approximately 4 foot high Goshen Stone retaining wall within the Buffer Zone of Yokum Pond. **Motion by Ms. Karlberg, seconded by Mr. Evans, to issue a negative determination #3 with standard Becket conditions and a special condition that the stones from the retaining wall to be taken down should be dispersed in the wooded areas around the house and well out of the wetland resource area. Unanimous approval.**

Miscellaneous:

- Request for Certificate of Compliance (DEP# 102-0372) received from Joe Rogers, project consultant for the Repair / Reconstruction of the Center Pond Dam, upon completion and inspection by the Commission of the wetland replication area. (Map 210 Lots 28, 30 & 34) **Motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Ms. Delpapa, to issue the requested final Certificate of Compliance. Unanimous approval.**
- The Commission briefly discussed the Emerald Ash Borer Preparedness Forum being presented by the Mass Forest Pest Task Force at the Tower Hill Botanic Garden on January 6th, 2016.
- A reminder that, starting in January, 2016, the Commission will meet at 6:30 PM on the second Tuesday of each month.

Adjournment: Motion by Ms. Karlberg, seconded by Ms. Delpapa to adjourn the meeting. Unanimous approval.

The meeting adjourned at 6:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Shepley Evans, Conservation Agent