

BLACKSTONE CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
FEBRUARY 22, 2011

James Plasse, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:36 p.m. in the Senior Center of the Town Hall.

Present Were:

James Plasse	Lisa Brita
Maggie Plasse	Tamara Heiselmeyer
Beverly Wilson	James Sullivan

Absent Was:

James Pitler

Town of Blackstone – Notice of Intent for connection of a new drinking water source (well #8) to Corrosion Control Facility underneath wetland resource areas using directional drilling technology. Project location is Glenside Drive, Map 17, Lot 234.

Jeff McClure of Weston & Sampson was present as the Town's representative. Also present was Bruce Wilson, Superintendent of Public Works. Mr. McClure said that the town is proposing a new well (#8) and to strengthen water distribution system improvements. He said that the well has not received DEP approval yet. He also said that the west side of Harris Pond is advantageous for a new water supply. Mr. McClure said that in 2006 there was a Water Distribution Master Plan developed by the town.

Mr. McClure said that they have proposed using two – 12” pipes under upper Harris Pond. He also said that the proposed well is within the 100 foot buffer zone, but the building with the electrical controls is outside of the buffer zone. Mr. McClure said that they will be drilling at least ten feet under Harris Pond, but he will suggest going deeper than ten feet.

Mr. McClure said that the slurry is recycled because it's expensive. They will have a pit to store the materials and the sand will be taken off site. They are proposing a gravel drive, not pavement. He said that the holes will be filled with the original materials. Mr. McClure said that the well will be exposed and the pit-less adaptor will be higher than the flood plain.

Mr. McClure said that silt fence will be used for erosion control. Mrs. Wilson said that she would prefer that they use silt socks. Mr. McClure agreed to the use of silt socks, which would be less expensive.

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Ms. Plasse said that she would like Natural Resource Services (NRS) to review the project. Mr. Plasse said that he would also like them to review it. The secretary will give the Notice of Intent to Scott Rabideau of NRS as soon as possible. Mr. Plasse said that we could approve the project subject to MEPA review or approval. Mr. McClure said that MEPA doesn't issue approvals. Mr. Plasse said that he will also check to see if Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Sullivan can vote on this project.

Mrs. Brita made a motion to continue the hearing until March 7th. Ms. Plasse seconded the motion. The motion was passed by Unanimous Vote.

The secretary's payroll and Woonsocket Call bill were signed by all members present.

Mrs. Brita made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Heiselmeyer seconded the motion. The motion was passed by Unanimous Vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa A. Larue
Secretary