

TOWN OF BOXFORD
MASSACHUSETTS
01921

BOXFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

You are hereby notified that a **Public Meeting** will be held at the Town Hall, 7A Spofford Road on **November 17, 2016** at 7:30 or such other time when posted to consider the

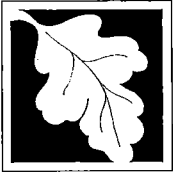
Request for Determination of Applicability

applicant: **Robert & Amy Schena**
for the property located at: **24 Pearl Road, Assessor's Map 10, Block 2, Lot 51**

To remove approximately 33 trees and prune other trees within Riverfront area, and/or Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetland.

This is a joint meeting under the requirements of MGL Ch. 131, Sect. 40, as amended, and Boxford's Wetlands Protection Bylaw and Regulations. Plans are available at the Commission's office at Town Hall, 7A Spofford Road, from 9am-1pm Mon.-Thur. For accommodations call (978) 887-6000, ext. 506.

For the Commission,
Ross Povenmire, Director of Conservation



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Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act M.G.L. c. 131, §40
Boxford Wetlands Protection Bylaw, Town Code Ch. 192 & 375

A. General Information

Important:
When filling out forms on the computer, use only the tab key to move your cursor - do not use the return key.



1. Applicant:
 Name: Robert & Amy Schena E-Mail Address: Abschena@yahoo.com
 Mailing Address: 24 Pearl St
Boxford State: MA Zip Code: 01921
 City/Town: Boxford
 Phone Number: 508 633 1294 Fax Number (if applicable): _____

2. Representative (if any):
 Firm: Noble Tree
 Contact Name: Greg Gagne E-Mail Address: gtgagne@gmail.com
 Mailing Address: 37 Glen Forest Dr
Boxford State: MA Zip Code: 01921
 City/Town: Boxford
 Phone Number: 978 590 5101 Fax Number (if applicable): _____

B. Determinations

1. I request the Boxford Conservation Commission make the following determination(s). Check any that apply:

- a. whether the **area** depicted on plan(s) and/or map(s) referenced below is an area subject to jurisdiction of the Wetlands Protection Act.
- b. whether the **boundaries** of resource area(s) depicted on plan(s) and/or map(s) referenced below are accurately delineated.
- c. whether the **work** depicted on plan(s) referenced below is subject to the Wetlands Protection Act.
- d. whether the area and/or work depicted on plan(s) referenced below is subject to the jurisdiction of any **municipal wetlands ordinance** or **bylaw** of:

Name of Municipality

- e. whether the following **scope of alternatives** is adequate for work in the Riverfront Area as depicted on referenced plan(s).

NO-ACTIVITY ALTERNATIVE



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C. Project Description

1. a. Project Location (use maps and plans to identify the location of the area subject to this request):

Street Address

10

Assessors Map/Plat Number

City/Town

2/51

Parcel/Lot Number

- b. Area Description (use additional paper, if necessary):

REMOVE TREES AND PRUNE TREES WITHIN BUFFER ZONE
AND RIVERFRONT AREA.

- c. Plan and/or Map Reference(s):

SKETCH BY CONTRACTOR ON FILE

Title

Date

11/1/2016

Title

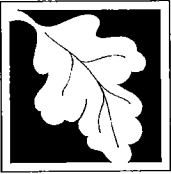
Date

Title

Date

2. a. Work Description (use additional paper and/or provide plan(s) of work, if necessary):

SEE ABOVE



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C. Project Description (cont.)

b. Identify provisions of the Wetlands Protection Act or regulations which may exempt the applicant from having to file a Notice of Intent for all or part of the described work (use additional paper, if necessary).

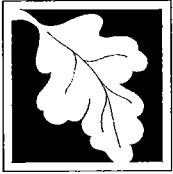
NA

3. a. If this application is a Request for Determination of Scope of Alternatives for work in the Riverfront Area, indicate the one classification below that best describes the project.

- Single family house on a lot recorded on or before 8/1/96
- Single family house on a lot recorded after 8/1/96
- Expansion of an existing structure on a lot recorded after 8/1/96
- Project, other than a single family house or public project, where the applicant owned the lot before 8/7/96
- New agriculture or aquaculture project
- Public project where funds were appropriated prior to 8/7/96
- Project on a lot shown on an approved, definitive subdivision plan where there is a recorded deed restriction limiting total alteration of the Riverfront Area for the entire subdivision
- Residential subdivision; institutional, industrial, or commercial project
- Municipal project
- District, county, state, or federal government project
- Project required to evaluate off-site alternatives in more than one municipality in an Environmental Impact Report under MEPA or in an alternatives analysis pursuant to an application for a 404 permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers or 401 Water Quality Certification from the Department of Environmental Protection.

b. Provide evidence (e.g., record of date subdivision lot was recorded) supporting the classification above (use additional paper and/or attach appropriate documents, if necessary.)

ASSESSOR'S RECORD ATTACHED



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D. Signatures and Submittal Requirements

I hereby certify under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing Request for Determination of Applicability and accompanying plans, documents, and supporting data are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

I further certify that the property owner, if different from the applicant, and the appropriate DEP Regional Office were sent a complete copy of this Request (including all appropriate documentation) simultaneously with the submittal of this Request to the Conservation Commission.

Failure by the applicant to send copies in a timely manner may result in dismissal of the Request for Determination of Applicability.

Name and address of the property owner:

Robert & Amy Schena
Name
24 Pearl St
Mailing Address
Boxford
City/Town
MA 01921
State Zip Code

Signatures:

I also understand that notification of this Request will be placed in a local newspaper at my expense in accordance with Section 10.05(3)(b)(1) of the Wetlands Protection Act regulations.

Amy Schena 11/1/16
Signature of Applicant Date
9099- 11/1/2016
Signature of Representative (if any) Date

No Activity Alternative

The no-activity alternative to this project would be to not remove or prune any trees specified on the plan. Most of the work being done would be to remove the undergrowth along the tree line of both sides of the property (left and right side of the house). Both sides are lined with tall pines, some of which are in striking distance of the house, and others that have structural issues (that being decay at the base of the tree). The pines block most of the sunlight, therefore causing the saplings underneath to search for sunlight, which results in many small trees hanging over the yard and growing into the property. Eventually these trees will either die, which a number of them already are, or they will become potential hazards to the house and property. The trees that are rotten at the base are also host to unwanted pests, such as ants. Not pruning the mature trees along the rear property line could lead to declined health. Pruning deadwood, young sucker growth, and lightening larger limbs will help in the longevity of these trees, and help prevent possible property damage and loss of the tree as well.