

**COLCHESTER CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, January 9, 2019

Town Hall, 127 Norwich Avenue, Room 1

Minutes of Meeting

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*Sue Bruening*  
CHAIRMAN  
JAY GIGLIOTTI  
CLERK

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Falk von Plachecki; Chairman, Sue Bruening, and Mike Rogers; Jay Gigliotti, Wetlands Enforcement Officer; Kamey Cavanaugh, Clerk, James Ford, BOS Liaison.

**Members Absent:** Darrell York, Rebecca Meyer & Seth Travis

**A. CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER**

Chairman von Plachecki called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Chairman von Plachecki welcomed new member Mike Rogers to the Colchester Conservation Commission.

**B. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA - None**

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- *Motion made by S. Bruening to approve the December 12, 2018 Meeting Minutes as amended. Seconded by M. Rogers. All members voted in favor. Motion Carried.***

**D. PUBLIC COMMENT – None**

**E. PENDING APPLICATIONS – None**

**F. NEW APPLICATIONS – None**

**G. OLD BUSINESS- None**

**H. NEW BUSINESS-**

**A. North Pond Subdivision – Preliminary Discussion**

J Gigliotti reported this was a preliminary discussion for a 37 lot subdivision on Windham Avenue, just North of Cousins Road. The property is 150 acres. It includes several wetland systems and a large pond. The majority of the lot is wooded and a wetlands GIS map was reviewed of the property.

Mark Reynolds, Civil Engineer, Reynolds Engineering Services, presented the commission with a slide presentation displaying the property being discussed. The wetland and crossing on the site was discussed. There was a discussion on the proposed Open Space designation and E&S Measures during construction was discussed.

The Commission would like to see both the 75' and 100' (wetland & watercourse) setbacks around the pond shown on the plans. Runoff from lawn fertilizer and a maintenance plan for the pond was also discussed.

**I. ENFORCEMENT-**

**A. 27 Red Schoolhouse Road**

In November 2018 the commission made a declaratory ruling allowing the property owner to remove 4-5 trees. An email complaint was received alleging that natural habitat in wetland areas was being destroyed. Upon a site visit to the property staff confirmed activity is taking place in the upland review area. The Conservation Commission directed staff to send the homeowner a notice of violation and request their presence at the next regular scheduled meeting to discuss corrective actions.

**J. CONSERVATION- None**

**K. CORRESPONDENCE-**

**A. Wetland Administrative Permits Issued- None**

**B. Staff updates & other correspondence-**

J Gigliotti showed a few photos of recent porous-pavement that is failing due to poor construction practices.

Cemetery Road and The 12 Town Airline Trail Master Plan Grants that were both endorsed by the Conservation Commission has been awarded to the Town of Colchester!

**L. ADJOURNMENT**

***Motion made by S. Bruening to adjourn the January 9, 2019 Colchester Conservation Commission Meeting at 8:15PM. Seconded by M. Rogers. All members voted in Favor. Motion Carried***

Chairman von Plachecki adjourned the January 9, 2109 Conservation Commission meeting at 8:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted



Kamey Cavanaugh, Recording Clerk