

Deerfield Conservation Commission  
Meeting – February 27, 2014

PRESENT: Louis Misiun (Con Com) and Mark Stinson (DEP)

Without a quorum, the scheduled meeting could not be held.

**Solar panels for Waste Water Treatment Plant**

However since Mr. Stinson was present along with MA Swedlund and Kristan Bakker of the Energy Resources Committee, a useful discussion was held regarding the Committee's proposal to install dual axis solar trackers at the Old Deerfield Transfer Station on Little Meadow Road. Mr. Stinson explained two important considerations: 1) determining flood level ( 143 ft) 2) determining the volume of fill that would be added above ground and below flood level. He suggested that the Conservation Commission could consider issuing a negative 2 determination and add a condition that the area be improved by planting some blueberry or other native shrubs to further stabilize the riverbank. This seemed doable and will be discussed at the March 27<sup>th</sup> meeting of Con Com at which time a decision can be made.

**Replacement of water line at Eaglebrook**

Bruce Young and Brian somebody from a Mass Rural Water organization had come to the meeting to have an informal discussion about plans to replace a water line. The water line, a 3" rod iron pipe, provides gravity feed water to the school off Pine Nook Road. The plan is to open a trench along the original line and replace the leaking pipe with 3" or 4" coil line. To do this some trees will need to be removed. Removal of the trees would be done during winter in anticipation of the summer pipe replacement project. Mr. Stinson said all work seemed to be outside of the WPA jurisdiction area, thus no Request for Determination or Notice of Intent needed to be filed. Mr. Young said he would send a letter, including maps, explaining the project to the Conservation Commission. It would be on file should questions arise.

Mr. Misiun will report these discussions to the Commission at the next meeting.