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Conservation Commission Minutes
March 22, 2010

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Chair Leah Basbanes
Members present: Jeff Haight, Alan Chaney, Judy Larter, Juan Amodei and Marilyn Pike
Member absent: Bill Moeller
Meeting held: At the Dunstable Town Hall, lower level

7:30pm – Notice of Intent Hearing – 12 Massapoag Way – Geoffrey Schembechler

Brian Weilbrenner attended the hearing as Mr. Schembechler's representative. He presented the abutter receipts to the Conservation Secretary as part of the record.

Mr. Weilbrenner stated that this property, on Massapoag Pond, was approved as a buildable lot for a single family residence by the Board of Appeals. The Commission noted, after reviewing the plans, that the project would have only a minimal impact on the wetlands/buffer zone. The installation of the well and associated trenches are within the jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission, however, the home and the septic (septic plans have been approved by the Board of Health) will be located approximately 200 feet away from the pond. After discussion, the Commission turned to those in attendance for questions. Theda Crocker spoke with a concern about how the project would affect her well. She was assured by Mr. Weilbrenner and the Commission that there shouldn't be any impact on her well, especially being so close to the pond. John Martin expressed his concern with runoff from Mr. Schembechler's property flowing onto his property, causing water in his basement. The Commission said that Mr. Schembechler will not be bringing in fill or changing the natural grade of the property. Most water will seep into the sandy soil. Runoff from the only impervious surface (house) can be controlled with infiltration trenches or gutters if there is a problem. No DEP file number has been received; therefore, the hearing could not be closed. The applicant requested a continuation until April 12th.

Building Permit – 681 Pleasant Street – Bob Parkin

Mr. Parkin attended the meeting seeking a signature on a building permit for 681 Pleasant Street. The property does not contain any wetlands. Judy made a motion to sign the building permit. Alan 2nd the motion. – Motion passed.

Meeting Minutes

Marilyn made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from March 8th, as submitted. Judy 2nd the motion. – Motion passed.



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Bills

The one bill for 2 rolls of stamps was signed by the Chair.

Hardy Street Property

Leah announced that the property is now owned by the Town – Conservation Commission. She said that Larry has expressed an interest in working with the Commission to create a parking area on the property.

Flat Rock Hill Conservation Area

Judy said that there is a sink hole that needs to be addressed.

Stone Arch Bridge

Alan told the Commission that Mr. Cash called to report that a tree had fallen near the Stone Arch Bridge blocking access.

Mill Street

Alan asked if anyone knew about the Highway Dept. rebuilding an area near the Mill Street pond as he noticed that it was rebuilt with concrete blocks instead of granite.

McGovern Wall – Main Street

Leah said that she is awaiting word from Jeff Rider as to when the plans would be ready for the McGovern wall on Main Street.

Off Pond Street

Alan asked the Secretary to put this on the agenda for the next meeting so a site visit could be scheduled in the spring.

Open Space and Recreation Plan

The Commission decided to continue with the plan at the next meeting. The Secretary will provide a draft survey in April for the Commission to review.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm. Motion 2nd - Motion passed. The next scheduled meeting for the Conservation Commission will be held on Monday, April 12th at 7:30pm, downstairs at the Dunstable Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann
Secretary
Dunstable Conservation Commission