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## **Conservation Commission Minutes** **Monday, July 9, 2012**

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Leah Basbanes  
Members present: Jeff Haight, Alan Chaney, Juan Amodei and Marilyn Pike  
Members absent: Bill Moeller and Judy Larter  
Meeting held: At the Dunstable Town Hall– 511 Main Street-lower level– Grange Room

### **Meeting Minutes – June 25, 2012**

Alan made a motion to accept the meeting minutes, as submitted, from the June 25<sup>th</sup> meeting. Marilyn 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

### **Review and Sign Bills**

Alan made a motion to sign the one invoice for certified mail (\$5.75). Jeff 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

### **Review and/or Sign Payroll**

Alan made a motion to sign the Secretary's payroll slip. Marilyn 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

### **Knotweed Infestation Removal at Flat Rock Hill and Blanchard Hill**

Leah signed the work order for the removal of Knotweed at Flat Rock and Blanchard Hills.

### **398 Groton Street – Removal of Materials in/near wetlands – McKenna**

Alan reported that he and Juan went out to 398 Groton Street and observed that Mr. McKenna had removed the debris from the wetland area as instructed by the Commission. Alan made a motion to issue a Certificate of Compliance for 398 Groton Street. Marilyn 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

### **431 Forest Street – McNamara - Restoration of Backyard**

Alan reported that work was progressing slowly at 431 Forest Street. While at the property, he and Juan observed that there was a swale that needed to be stabilized with mulch hay. The Commission decided that they would go out to 431 Forest Street on Saturday in order to make sure that the work has been completed.

### **Certificate of Compliance – 270 Depot Street - Carney**

Alan and Juan went out to 270 Depot Street on June 30<sup>th</sup> as a result of the Carney's filing for a Certificate of Compliance (COC). The area was stabilized however Alan



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reminded the resident not to put slash in the wetlands (some was on the edge). Alan made a motion to sign the COC, Marilyn 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

### **67 Valley Street – Chellis – Informational Site Visit**

Alan went out to 67 Valley Street due to a concern about a possible wetland violation. Alan observed one truck parked on the property that is used in Mr. Chellis' business. There was a high banking in the back with a 10-15 foot drop to the brook. Alan reported that the banking had been there for a long time. Some stone on top of the embankment was new. The resident said that he plans on using it on the front of the property. It was observed that there may be a separate landscaping operation in the back of the property but it is not clear where the lot line is located. Alan told the Chellis' that they may need to determine the boundary lines with the adjacent property as well as have the wetlands delineated. The Commission asked the Secretary to notify the resident at 61 Valley Street (Allard) that they will be by on Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup> to walk the property.

### **Additional Topics Discussed Not Noted on the Agenda**

#### **804 Main Street – Walter Erickson – Occupancy Permit**

Mr. Ericksen attended the meeting seeking a signature on an Occupancy Permit for 804 Main Street. He explained that although there is an Order of Conditions on the parcel, he will not be ready to request a Certificate of Compliance until the fall. Alan made a motion to sign the Occupancy Permit. Marilyn 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed.

#### **535 Forest Street – Steve Richardson – Garage Addition/Flagged Wetlands**

Mr. Richardson attended the meeting to discuss his garage project with the Commission. He had attended an earlier meeting in which members advised him that he may want to have his wetlands flagged before proceeding with his project. Mr. Richardson hired John Visniewski of Cornerstone Land Consultants, Inc. who determined that although the addition is within the 100 foot buffer zone, the wetland is not a jurisdictional wetland due to the fact that our bylaw allows for determination of a wetland to be by vegetation only. The Commission reviewed the information submitted by Mr. Richardson and will go out to the site on Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am.

Alan made a motion to adjourn at 8:10pm. Marilyn 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously. The next meeting of the Dunstable Conservation Commission will be held on Monday, July 23, 2012 at 7:30pm at the Dunstable Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann, Secretary of the Dunstable Conservation Commission