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Conservation Commission Minutes **Monday, September 23, 2013**

Meeting was called to order at 7:31pm by Chair, Leah Basbanes
Members present: Jeff Haight, Bill Moeller, Judy Larter & Marilyn Pike
Members absent: Juan Amodei and Alan Chaney
Meeting held: At the Dunstable Town Hall– 511 Main Street-lower level– Grange Room

7:30pm – Request for Determination Public Meeting – 393 Forest Street - Macleod

Matt Waterman from Landtech was in attendance representing the applicant who wishes to install a new septic and well at 393 Forest Street. The wetlands were flagged before the ANR plan was submitted to the Planning Board in 2009. Work will be in the buffer zone. Bill asked Mr. Waterman why the limit of fill was not shown on the plan. He was told that it was shown on the septic/well plan but not the “Sediment and Erosion Control” plan. Judy made a motion to issue a negative 3 determination with Mr. Waterman forwarding a plan that shows the limit of fill. Jeff 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

Plan: Sediment and Erosion Control Plan – 393 Forest (Hill) Street – dated September 6, 2013 – revised September 25, 2013 by Land Tech Consultants prepared for Brian & Susan Macleod

Meeting Minutes – September 9, 2013

Jeff made a motion to approve, with noted changes, the meeting minutes of September 9th. Marilyn 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

Review and/or Sign Bills

Bill made a motion to sign the \$92.00 invoice for stamps. Jeff 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

Review and/or Sign Payroll

Bill made a motion to sign the secretary’s payroll slip. Jeff 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

October 14th Meeting - Holiday

As the next meeting falls on the October 14th holiday, the Commission decided to move that scheduled meeting to Wednesday, October 16th.

Order of Conditions – 274 Pond Street - Krishnaswamy

The Commission received a letter from Natural Heritage (NHESP) regarding the filing



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at 274 Pond Street. NHESP determined that the project would not result in a "take". The Commission wrote and signed the Order.

Site Visits to Off Pond Street

Yezzi – materials in wetlands/buffer zone

The Commission decided that as a result of the site visit, Mr. Yezzi will be sent an Enforcement Order asking him to remove (down to the natural soil) the fill that he placed near the wetlands. The work was done without authorization and is in violation of the Wetlands Protection Act and the Dunstable Wetlands Bylaw. The area must be restored to its natural conditions and stabilized to keep sand from seeping down into the wetlands. This must be completed by November 22, 2013. Mr. Yezzi will be asked to attend the November 25th meeting. Members will stop by the site periodically to check on the progress.

Swale Near 229 Off Pond Street

The Commission will send a letter to all residents of Off Pond Street letting them know that the diversion ditch near 229 Off Pond Street was functioning correctly and keeping sediment from flowing into the wetlands. The Commission asked Don Vincent to continue to maintain the road as he has been doing.

Invasive Species Control

The Secretary reported that Michael Barry from Bay State Forestry was out on September 18th spraying Phragmites near the bridge on Main Street and the Knotweed at Flat Rock and Blanchard Hill Conservation Areas.

Preliminary Self Help Application discussion – Main Street parcel

Will be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

Additional Topics Discussed Not Noted on the Agenda

Judy brought up that the Dunstable Rural Land Trust property on Main Street needs a trail. This will be added to the Eagle Scout project list.

Bill made a motion to adjourn at 8:12pm. Jeff 2nd the motion. - Motion passed unanimously. The next meeting of the Dunstable Conservation Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, October 16, 2013, 7:30pm at the Dunstable Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann – Secretary – Dunstable Conservation Commission