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Approved: November 14, 2013

Conservation Commission Minutes Monday, October 28, 2013

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Chair, Leah Basbanes

Members present: Bill Moeller, Judy Larter, Alan Chaney & Marilyn Pike

Members absent: Juan Amodei and Jeff Haight

Meeting held: At the Dunstable Town Hall– 511 Main Street-lower level– Grange Room

Building Permit – 439 River Street – Dave Greenwood

Mr. Greenwood is purchasing a lot from the McGovern's on River Street in Ken Tully's Riverview Estates subdivision. No work will be done within 100 feet of any wetland. After reviewing Mr. Greenwood's plans, Judy made a motion to sign the building permit for 439 River Street. Marilyn 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

Certificates of Compliance (COC) - 105 Kemp Street - David Barker

Before discussing the three outstanding Orders of Conditions for 105 Kemp Street, Mr. Barker asked to discuss an issue he is having with his homeowners insurance. He explained that his insurance company has told him that the latest flood maps indicate that his property lies within a flood zone and that he needs to purchase flood insurance. He had Cornerstone Land Consultants check his elevation which he said shows that at the lowest point, he is still 2 feet above the limits. The insurance company asked for a "Community Acknowledgement Form" and Mr. Barker asked if the Commission issued those. Leah explained that they do not and told Mr. Barker that he probably needs to talk with the Building Inspector who is the Zoning Enforcement Officer.

COC 147-143 – 105 Kemp Street – David Barker

This Certificate of Compliance had been issued years ago, however, wasn't filed at the Registry of Deeds. Work never commenced under this Order. Alan made a motion to re-issue the COC. Judy 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

COC 147-217 - 105 Kemp Street - David Barker

Work under this Order of Conditions never began. Judy made a motion to issue the COC stating that the work never started. Marilyn 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

COC 147-250 – 105 Kemp Street – David Barker

Members decided that they want to review the conditions of the Order; therefore, a site visit is scheduled for Saturday, November 2nd at 9:00am. Judy, Alan and Marilyn will meet at the site. Mr. Barker was in attendance and made aware of the site visit.



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<u>Meeting Minutes – October 16, 2013</u>

Bill made a motion to approve, as submitted, the meeting minutes of October 16th. Judy 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

Review and/or Sign Bills

None

Review and/or Sign Payroll

The secretary's payroll slip was signed.

Sign Receipt for Conflict of Interest Law

Members received the Conflict of Interest Law by e-mail from the Town Clerk. The Secretary provided blank receipts for Commission members to sign.

Enforcement Order Follow Up - Yezzi - 145 Off Pond Street

Mr. Yezzi dropped off a letter/pictures that showed he completed the work that the Commission required of him in order to satisfy the conditions of his Enforcement Order. Members will go out to the site on Saturday, November 2nd to verify that he has fulfilled his obligation.

Lake Massapoag Rod & Gun Club – Weed Harvesting & Harvester Question

Barbara Blanco dropped off a letter to the Commission to update them on the weed harvesting at Lake Massapoag. While in the office, she mentioned that someone has been altering the area where they keep their harvester. She would like the Commission to take a look at the area to see if the club can install something to deter further activity. The Commission scheduled a site visit for Saturday, November 2nd. The Secretary will let Ms. Blanco know.

Christmas tree Sale

The Secretary asked members if they plan on having the Christmas tree sale this December. They discussed Saturday, December 7th and Saturday, December 14th on High Street and Mill Street from 10:00am-2:00pm. Sign ups will be at the next meeting.

Preliminary Self Help Application for Main Street

This will be discussed at a future meeting. Alan will talk with Charlie Tully to discuss the intent of the family with regard to the parcel on Main Street.

Holiday on November 11th

The Secretary brought up that the next meeting falls on Veteran's Day. The day after is Special Town Meeting, therefore, the Commission decided that they will meet on Thursday, November 14th at 7:30pm.



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Additional Topics Discussed Not Noted on the Agenda

Kiosks - Eagle Scout Project

Judy brought up that she and Leah met with Mr. Flanagan to discuss placement of the kiosks for his Eagle Scout project.

Stone Arch Bridge Mowing

Judy told members that the area near the Stone Arch Bridge needs to be mowed. Alan made a motion to spend some of the Christmas tree funds to have Bob Bacon mow the field. Judy 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

Bridge at Unkety Brook

The Commission asked the Secretary to put a "thank you" in the Neighbor to Neighbor addressed to whoever restored the Unkety Brook Bridge.

Woods Court Garage

Alan mentioned that the garage at Woods Court is an attractive nuisance and needs to come down before it turns into a liability for the town. Alan received a verbal quote from Carl Shattuck and will mail a formal quote to the office. The Commission agreed that the cement floor can remain. Since the Commission does not have the funds to remove the building Alan will approach the Finance Committee for a reserve fund transfer.

McGovern's Wall

Members discussed that they were pleased at how well the McGovern's wall looked.

Motion to adjourn made at 8:12pm. Motion 2nd. - Motion passed unanimously. The next meeting of the Dunstable Conservation Commission is scheduled for **Thursday**, November 14, 2013, 7:30pm at the Dunstable Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann Secretary Dunstable Conservation Commission