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Conservation Commission Minutes Monday, October 27, 2014

Approved: November 17, 2014

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

Request for Determination – Board of Road Commissioners – 589 Pleasant St.

The Board of Road Commissioners filed a Request for Determination for an asphalt pad and temporary salt structure at 589 Pleasant Street. At the same time, they filed for MESA review. The Division of Fisheries and Wildlife responded by phone (paperwork to follow) that they did not have any issue with the project as proposed. Dana Kinne and Peter Gove were in attendance representing the Board of Road Commissioners. Alan explained that he, Jeff, David Tully Jr. and Ken Leva had gone out to review the site. Leah had also gone out another day. Leah emphasized that this is a temporary structure made from a metal pipe frame with fabric. The bottom will be paved. There was discussion regarding protecting the wetland area with a berm made from bituminous concrete backed with soil to keep any runoff containing salt from seeping into the wetland. The plan submitted is titled "Salt Shed Plan 10/27/2014". Judy made a motion to close the public meeting and issue a negative 3 determination with the condition that the berm mentioned above be included, the construction of the asphalt floor have a slight reverse crown and the permit be reviewed in 3 years.

Meeting Minutes – October 14, 2014

Bill made a motion to approve, as amended by Marilyn, the meeting minutes of the October 14th meeting. Alan 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

Review and/or Sign Bills and Payroll

No bills were presented. The Secretary's payroll was signed.

Certificate of Compliances-411 Pleasant Street-Robert Frye 147-48/147-161

Alan said that he, Bill, Juan and Jeff inspected both areas at 411 Pleasant Street and that they didn't see any issues with the work that was done. Alan made a motion to issue Certificate of Compliances for 147-48 and 147-161 at 411 Pleasant Street. Bill 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.



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November 10th Meeting

The Secretary will be out on November 10th. The Commission decided to move their meeting to Monday, November 17th at **6:30pm**.

Flat Rock Hill Mowing

Leah said that she e-mailed Tim Joyce (abutting property) to ask if he was willing to mow the Flat Rock Hill area. She is waiting for his response. One issue is that there are many tree stumps that could damage mowing equipment. Bill mentioned that the Tully family has equipment sitting in a field that looks large enough to cut the field. Bill will stop by to see if there is an interest in cutting about 3 acres of open field.

<u> 545 Forest Street – Habeshian – Fill</u>

Members of the Conservation Commission went out the site to see the progress on the removal of the materials from the driveway construction site. It appears that no work has been done. The agent from the Board of Health had previously contacted the Department of Environmental Protection. She will call to get an update from them. In the meantime members asked the Secretary to send a letter to the homeowners asking them to remove the materials in the driveway construction by December 1st, restore the area back to the natural topography and provide a copy of the Bill of Receipt stating that the materials were legally disposed of, the volume of materials and the company disposing of the materials.

Update on Tully Agricultural Preservation Restriction (APR)

Alan said that the Community Preservation Committee Chair said there will be a meeting in mid-November at which time they will entertain spending Community Preservation Act (CPA) money on the APR. Alan went on to say that the Board of Selectmen voted in favor of the project (in principle). The town's share (approximately \$370,000) should not affect the tax rate as it will come from CPA funds.

Christmas tree Sale

Members agreed to sell trees out of Amos Kendall and Flat Rock Hill on December 6th and December 13th - 10am-2pm. A signup sheet will be provided at the next meeting.

Additional Topics Discussed Not Noted on the Agenda

<u> Timber Report – Unkety Woods Preserve – Alan Chaney</u>

Alan told members that bids are expected any day. He would like to see the money from this cut go to Flat Rock Hill to finish that project.



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Alan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm. Bill 2nd the motion - Motion passed unanimously. The next meeting of the Dunstable Conservation Commission is scheduled for Monday, November 17, 2014, **6:30pm** at the Dunstable Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann Secretary Dunstable Conservation Commission