

**HARVARD CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
FEBRUARY 16, 2012
APPROVED: April 19, 2012**

Chairman Paul Willard called the meeting to order at 7:00pm in the Town Hall Meeting Room

Members Present: Paul Willard, Charlie Gorss, Wendy Sisson, Jaye Waldron, Jim Breslauer and Don Ritchie

Others Present: Liz Allard (LUB Admin), Bill Johnson, Nick Facendola (Level Design Group), William Leiser and Elaine Leiser

Bare Hill Pond Watershed Management Committee Request for Comments on BMP-8

Wendy Sisson and Paul Willard had previously participated in site visit to discuss the drainage issues at the beach, along with Bare Hill Pond Watershed Management Committee and Park & Recreation Department. The main concern is water coming down Pond Road and entering the pond. There have been adjustments made to the BHP-7 facility as requested previously. The Commission questioned whether or not BMP-8 is going to handle all the water coming down Pond Road. Bill Johnson stated BHP-7 is designed to handle the water off Pond Road to the mouth of the parking area behind the building. Don Ritchie stated that BHP-7 is not handling the water off Pond Road. Jim Breslauer requested a larger scale plan for his review. Wendy Sisson stated the grass area may be heavily used and grass may not be suitable in the area it is suggested. In terms of maintaining the beach, it should be graded to minimize the steepness of it; by adding the more and more sand each year it is just creating an erosion problem.

Mr. Johnson stated as for the erosion on the left side of the beach, there is talk of putting a collection swale to aid in the prevention of the erosion. It has also been determined that there may not be enough funds to install a stormwater management facility at Thurston's Cove.

In conclusion of the discussion this evening, the Commission wants to be certain that both the facilities, BHP-7 & BHP-8, are collecting all the water in that area for treatment, the grass area is revisited for durability, the actual calculations of pre and post events, and a plan that shows proposed work and what is there now.

Continuation of a Request for Determination of Applicability – Terrence Holt, 20 Warren Avenue, Harvard#0112-02. Opened at 7:35pm

Notice of Intent Hearing – William Leiser, Lot 2 Mill Road (Map 12 Parcel 26.9), DEP#177-606, Harvard#0112-01. Opened at 7:37pm

Community Preservation Act Funds

Charlie Gorss reported that should the want article for funds through the Community Preservation Act pass at Town Meeting for the invasive species control requested by the Commission, a portion of the money should be available the Monday after Town meeting.

Zoning Board of Appeals Request for Comments – Arnold, 57 Old Mill Road

Liz Allard briefed the members on the application recently received from the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA). The application has been filed on behalf of Timothy & Sarah Arnold the addition of a garage and accessory apartment. The plan shows all work to be outside the 100' wetland buffer zone. The Commission agreed that as long as work remains outside the 100' buffer zone they have no comment on the proposed project. A letter will be sent to the ZBA in that regards

Planning Board Request for Comments – Myllykangas, Westcott Road

Liz Allard briefed the members on the application recently received from the Planning Board. The application was filed on behalf of Timothy Myllykangas for site plan review in regards to the

driveway. The Commission has received a Notice of Intent (NOI) for this project as well. A letter to the Planning will state that the Commission is aware of the project and that concerns they may have will be addressed during the hearing process for the NOI.

Request of Amendments of the Order of Conditions

Liz Allard explained to the members that they have received two requests to amend the Order of Conditions. The first is for Pam Clapp, 133 Clinton Shore Drive, DEP#177-563, a request for the installation of a perimeter drain. The members agreed that this is new work not in association with the existing Order of Conditions and that a new Notice of Intent will need to be filed. The second is from Jean McCrosky, 193 Old Littleton Road, DEP#177-590, requesting that the requirement to plant trees and install markers to demarcate the limit of work on her property be removed from the Order of Conditions (OOC). The members agreed that the conditions were necessary to aid in the protection of the wetland on her property and the request to amend the OOC is denied.

Adjournment

Jim Breslauer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:32pm. Don Ritchie seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Allard
Land Use Administrator/
Conservation Agent

**Harvard Conservation Commission
Continuation of a Request for Determination of Applicability Hearing
Meeting Minutes
Terrence Holt, 20 Warren Avenue, Harvard#0112-02
February 16, 2012**

Chairman Paul Willard under the Wetland Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131 Section 40 and the Harvard Wetland Protection Bylaw, Chapter 119 of the Code of the Town of Harvard in the Town Hall Meeting Room at 7:35pm

Members Present: Paul Willard, Charlie Gorss, Wendy Sisson, Jaye Waldron, Jim Breslauer and Don Ritchie

Others Present: Liz Allard (LUB Admin)

This hearing was continued from February 2, 2012 and is for a Request of Determination of Applicability filed on behalf of Terrence Holt for the removal of trees that have created a threat to human safety within the 100' wetland buffer zone at 20 Warren Avenue, Harvard.

Liz Allard informed the members that she still has not received the proper notification to abutters from the applicant. Jim Breslauer made a motion to continue the hearing to March 1, 2012 at 7:50pm. Jaye Waldron seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Allard
Land Use Administrator/
Conservation Agent

**Harvard Conservation Commission
Notice of Intent Hearing Meeting Minutes
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Others Present: Liz Allard (LUB Admin), Nick Facendola (Level Design Group), William Leiser and Elaine Leiser

This hearing is for a Notice of Intent filed on behalf of William Leiser for the construction of a single family dwelling with associated barn, driveway and utilities including a new sub-surface disposal system within the 100' wetland buffer zone on Lot 2 Mill (Map 12 Parcel 26.9), Harvard.

Nick Facendola, of Level Design Group, was present to represent the applicants, who were also present. Mr. Facendola stated the application is for the construction of a single family dwelling with no disturbance within 50' wetland buffer zone. There will be grading within the 50' to 75' buffer zone. A site walk was conducted on February 15th. Slopes will be stabilized with jute matting as necessary. Paul Willard suggested the planting of low growing shrubs along the slope for better stability. Mr. Facendola stated that the revised plan keeps as many trees as possible on the slope. Members asked if the barn would be housing any animals. The Leiser stated the barn will not have any animals and that they had no problem with a restriction on the barn. Liz Allard suggested changing the term barn to carriage house, as its intent is for storage and not the housing of animals. Jim Breslauer stated he had concerns with the potential of lawn creep in the future and would like to see permanent markers installed from the corner of the barn/carriage house to north east corner of the retaining wall. The markers are to be 6 x 6 granite, 15 feet a part, and 3 feet above grade. Don Ritchie requested that the corner of the driveway within the 75' wetland buffer zone be pulled back out of the 75' setback for driveways and structures. A revised plan will be submitted prior to the issuance of the Order of Conditions.

With no further questions or comments, Jim Breslauer made a motion to close the hearing and issue an Order of Condition, with the following special conditions:

- 1) The "Carriage House" shall not be used for the housing of large animals. This shall remain in force permanently and shall not expire with the issuance of a certificate of compliance;
- 2) Granite post shall be installed as shown on the approved plan, 15' a part and 3' above grade;
- 3) The driveway shall remain outside the 75 wetland buffer zone as shown on the approved plan

Don Ritchie seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Allard
Land Use Administrator/
Conservation Agent

DOCUMENTS & OTHER EXHIBITS

Bare Hill Pond Watershed Management Committee Request for Comments on BMP-8

- 25% Concept Plan, Bare Hill Pond Stormwater Retrofit Project Harvard, Massachusetts, prepared by Horsley Witten Group, Inc., Project Number: 11031, Sheet Number CV-1, dated February 2012

Notice of Intent Hearing – William Leiser, Lot 2 Mill Road (Map 12 Parcel 26.9), DEP#177-606, Harvard#0112-01

- Single Family Dwelling AM 12, Parcel 26.9, Lot 2, 31 Mill Road, Harvard, Massachusetts. Site Plan C-1.0 prepared by Civil Design Group, dated 02/02/2012

Request of Amendments of the Order of Conditions

- Letter from GPR, Inc, dated February 8, 2012
- Sketch of Plan Proposed Drainage, dated Feb. 8, 2012
- Letter from Jean & Richard McCrosky, dated Feb. 7, 2012