

**CITY OF MARLBOROUGH
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Minutes

July 18, 2013 (Thursday)

Marlborough City Hall – 3rd Floor, Memorial Hall

7:00 PM

Members Present: Edward Clancy-Chairman, Lawrence Roy, John Skarin, and David Williams

Also present was Priscilla Ryder-Conservation Officer

Absent: Michelle Higgins, Dennis Demers, and Allan White

Public Hearings:

Abbreviated Notice of Intent

9 Red Spring Rd. - Dana Hart

Mr. Hart was present and explained that he proposes to add a 5 ft. x 10 ft. addition to his house next to Ft. Meadow Reservoir. They are planning to fill in the gap in their deck with an addition to expand the kitchen. It will have a full foundation. The existing deck will be removed and replaced once the work is done. All excess materials will be removed from the site. If dewatering is necessary, it will be filtered before it is discharged to the lake. The Commission discussed the project and then closed the hearing. Ms. Ryder had drafted a set of conditions for this project which the Commission reviewed. The Commission voted 4-0 to issue the Order of Conditions as drafted and amended.

Request for Determination of Applicability

Simarano Dr. and Cedar Hill St. - New England Power Co.

Andrea Kendall of Masson & Associates (?) was present on behalf of National Grid. She explained that NGrid wants to install 130 ft. of buried electric conduit within the existing right of way of Simarano Dr. and Cedar Hill St. She provided a plan showing the location, the PVC conduit will be 3' below the ground. One area of wetlands is close to the project. Erosion controls will be installed near the paved leak off area. The Commission discussed the project and determined that it will have no impact if installed as described. The Commission closed the hearing and voted 4-0 to issue a Negative determination with standard conditions.

Certificate of Compliance:

- DEP 212-498 48 Taylor Rd. – Full Certificate
Ms. Ryder reported that she inspected the site and the Order and all the conditions have been met. The Commission voted unanimously 4-0 to issue a full Certificate of Compliance for this project with ongoing conditions as required.
- DEP 212-695 593 Stow Rd. (Lot 1) Stow Rd. - Partial Certificate of Compliance
Ms. Ryder reported that she inspected the site and the Order of Conditions as it relates to lot (1) and all the conditions have been met. The Commission voted unanimously 4-0 to issue a full Certificate of Compliance for this project with ongoing conditions as required.
- DEP 212-1101 28 Thompson Dr. – Full Certificate
Ms. Ryder reported that she inspected the site and the Order and all the conditions have been met. The Commission voted unanimously 4-0 to issue a full Certificate of Compliance for this project with ongoing conditions as required.

Correspondence/Other Business:

- Letter from Nationalgrid, dated May 23, 2013 RE: Electric Utility Maintenance Project, Bigelow Estates - Andrea Kendal was able to explain to the Commission that this is a request to install a standard conduit on Bigelow St. This is just maintenance and nothing new. The Commission requested that Ms. Ryder send a letter that this is OK.

- Letter from National grid, dated June 21, 2013 RE: Electric Utility Maintenance Project, D'Angelo Dr. and Cedar Hill St. Andrea Kendal explained that this too was just maintenance and the replacement of a utility pole. The Commission requested that Ms. Ryder send a letter that this was OK.

The following correspondence was reviewed and the Commission voted to accept and place on file.

- Letter from Central Mass Mosquito Control Project, dated June 24, 2013 RE: CMMCP Water Management Job # 159.
- Ft. Meadow Reservoir – Herbicide Treatment of Ft. Meadow Reservoir – Wednesday, July 17, 2013.
- Letter to Toll Brothers, Inc., dated June 19, 2013 RE: Joint violation notice-Regency at Assabet Ridge-Crowley Dr.

Discussions/Other Business:

- Toll Brothers, Inc.- The Commission reviewed the violation notice provided (above)
- Beaver activities – Bigelow St. - Ms. Ryder noted that beaver activity has returned to the Bigelow St. culvert. A trapper will be out to trap authorized by the Board of Health. The Commission also gave authorization if the dam needs to be beached.
- Summary of the Conflict of Interest Law for Municipal Employees - The Commission was given directions on how to fill out this form on line, everyone needs to fill it out and send it in.
- Desert Natural area – on June 23, at 9:00 AM - Ms. Ryder will be walking the burn area with the fire chief and others and meet at end of Moore Rd. in Sudbury. Commission members were invited to attend.

Meetings – Next Conservation Commission meetings – August 1st and *August 22nd, 2013 (Thursdays)
(* Note change)

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Priscilla Ryder
Conservation Officer