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Date: June 5, 2013

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Time: 7:00 PM

Present: Ron Stead, Paul DiCicco, Anthony Cameron, Mathew Ashmankas

Absent: Donald Flynn

MINUTES

Tony Cameron motioned to accept the minutes of the April 17, 2013 meeting; seconded by Paul DiCicco; voted unanimously.

7:15 P.M.
INFORMAL
MEETING

Jim Bianchi of 73 Elmwood Street was present to discuss the ongoing work to fill property at 54 Beach Street, which abuts his property. Mr. Bianchi reported that on one day recently, he observed 20 truckloads of fill being deposited on site. He said the property owner, Mr. Polomski has already altered a meadow and is now altering a swampy area. Mr. Bianchi said Mr. Polomskis has been altering the area for the past four years and stated his concern about the extreme change in grade. He's concerned that due to changes in grade, water will be diverted and may enter private wells and possibly adversely affect drinking water. There is no town water in the neighborhood, people rely on private wells. He questioned the quality of the fill – it's not known where the fill is coming from, what may be in it, if it may contain contaminants.

Ron Stead explained that several members of the Conservation Commission have visited the site and reported seeing no evidence of wetland filling and that Mr. Polomski met with the Commission to discuss the work. Mr. Stead advised that the Commission has given him permission to continue work because he is working outside the 100' wetland buffer zone. Mr. Stead said Mr. Polomski was instructed by the Commission to install mitigation which he has done. Mr. Bianchi contends, as observed from his Elmwood St. property, that Mr. Polomski is working as close as 15' to the wetland and suggested board members re-inspect the activity from this vantage point. Ron Stead agreed to have member(s) take another look at activity at 54 Beach Street by way of Mr. Bianchi's property.

Paul DiCicco motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.; seconded by Mathew Ashmankas; voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Paquette
Secretary

Ron Stead

Mathew Ashmankas

Anthony Cameron

Paul DiCicco