



TOWN OF NORTHBOROUGH  
Conservation Commission  
Monday, November 19, 2012  
Conference Room C  
Town Offices, 63 Main Street, Northborough, MA 01532

Conservation  
Commission  
approved  
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- Present:** Greg Young, Wayne Baldelli, Diane Guldner, Todd Helwig, and Chelsea Christenson
- Absent:** Mo Tougas and Tom Beals
- Others Present:** Mia McDonald – Conservation Agent; Eileen Dawson – Recording Secretary; Glenn Krevosky – consultant with EBT Inc.; Dave Burke – Wetlands Scientist for 15 Settlers Road; John Grenier – J.M. Grenier Associates; Andrew Sanclemente – 15 Settlers Road.

Mr. Young opened the Conservation Commission meeting at 7:10 p.m.

**Minutes of October 15, 2012:**

Commissioners discussed and made some minor grammar corrections to the minutes. Mr. Young requested action.

*Mr. Helwig motioned, Mr. Baldelli seconded, and it was unanimously voted, “To approve the amended minutes of October 15, 2012.”*

New Conservation Agent:

Mr. Young welcomed and introduced Mia McDonald, the new Conservation Agent. Commissioners welcomed Ms. McDonald.

**Informal Discussion with G. Lopes Construction and Glenn Krevosky regarding site conditions at 300 Bartlett Street** -Glenn Krevosky, consultant, commented on the November 16 and November 19<sup>th</sup> weekly reports and gave an update on the property and erosion control efforts. Mr. Krevosky discussed the paving and concrete work, dewatering to detention basin #1, 65% of paving completed, 80-90% of paving to be completed by the end of the week, removal and the addition of crushed stone to property. Commissioners asked about the ownership; Mr. Krevosky commented on the Northborough Land Realty Trust sale to Jones and the transfer of approved dewatering plans.

Mr. Baldelli asked about the Southwest corner and need for stabilization; Mr. Krevosky commented on the area not being Paxton soil, no erosion control issues, sediment removal, pumping, and dewatering and addition of shredded mulch on the clay.

Mr. Krevosky commented on Mr. Sousa and Mr. Wolski’s active supervision of the site work. Commissioners asked about the stabilization of the property for the winter; Mr. Krevosky commented on the project being stabilized and winterized if necessary. Commissioners commented on the dirt on Bartlett Street and the stone tracking pad issued resolved.

Mr. Krevosky asked for permission to remove the siltation devices on the West (grass swale) and East area where the landscape has been stabilized; Commissioners asked that the erosion controls stay in place.

Commissioners asked for weekly reports to continue on Fridays. Mr. Krevosky agreed to clean out the basins. Commissioners discussed the request sent to the Planning Board not to release or reduce the bond posted until the Commission has agreed to all work being completed. Commissioners discussed the occupancy that is scheduled to occur on November 30<sup>th</sup>; Mr. Krevosky explained that G. Lopes has a one year commitment once the site has been completed through 2013. Ms. Christenson asked Mr. Krevosky to verify that the infiltration design has the rates of infiltration.

### **Public Hearing:**

#### **7:50 pm Request for Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation (continued), 15 Settlers Road, Map 78, Parcel 7, DEP file # 247-1049**

Determine the resource area delineation

Applicant: Andrew Sanclemente

Representative: J.M. Grenier Associates, Inc.

David Burke, wetland scientist, gave an update on the analysis findings: no wetland vegetation, upgradient flags 1-14 reviewed on site walk to neighbor's property (Brown), hydric soils, small strip of wetlands, ledge, calculations concluded that is not isolated land subject to flooding, with less than ¼ acre with 18 inch depth (6,400 square feet).

Commissioners discussed the isolated vegetative wetlands (not protected by the state law), but protected under the local bylaw. Commissioners discussed the property would be protected; no disturbance could occur within 15' buffer zone and 30' no structure.

Mr. Young requested a motion.

*Mr. Young motioned, Ms. Guldner seconded, and it was unanimously voted, "To issue a positive Order of Resource Area Delineation with the condition of isolated vegetative wetland."*

### **Old Business:**

- 8 Moore Lane – Commissioners discussed the site visit and Ms. McDonald agreed to notify the owner that the dock and debris need to be removed.
- Senior Center – Commissioners discussed the replanted trees and the owner looking to obtain a Certificate of Compliance. Commissioners discussed the contingency that replanting would need to occur again if the trees die.
- 257 Rice Avenue – Commissioners discussed Mr. Stone making stone walls for his llamas and cattle. Commissioners discussed stabilizing the area, removing soil, or putting up silt fencing.
- 175 Rice Avenue – Ms. McDonald explained that she sent a letter to Matthew Stone requesting that he not throw debris done into the wetlands.

- Laurence Place – Commissioners discussed the silt fence that needs repair. Ms. McDonald explained that he has called and emailed the owner regarding the silt fence.
- Bartlett Pond Survey – Commissioners discussed the pond, the high e-coli count, and the need to find the source of the e-coli. Commissioners requested seeking Community Preservation Act funding for future treatments of the Pond.
- FY' 14 Budget – Commissioners discussed 3 treatment for Bartlett Pond and \$15,000 recommended for the budget, MACC conferences, Little Chauncey water chestnuts and hiring professional help to remove.

#### **New Business:**

- Next meeting, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012; Commissioners discussed and agreed to meet on December 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Tree Removal Policy – Conservation Commissioners and Ms. McDonald discussed public health, safety, arborist review, applicable state law, possible replacement policy and some sample tree removal policies of other towns in MA. Commissioners agreed to review and send comments to Ms. McDonald and discuss in December; Ms. McDonald agreed to draft a policy.

#### **Certificates of Compliance:**

- Request for Certificate of Compliance, 51 Cherry Street, Map 57, Parcel 40, DEP file # 247-1031
- Request for Certificate of Compliance, 414 Davis Street, Map 101, Parcel 128, DEP file # 247-1001

Ms. McDonald explained that both requests are for septic repairs; the properties are stable and as-builts have been received.

*Ms. Guldner motioned, Mr. Helwig seconded, and it was unanimously voted, “To issue a Certificate of Compliance for 51 Cherry Street, Map 57, Parcel 40, DEP file # 247-1031 and 414 Davis Street, Map 101, Parcel 128, DEP file # 247-1001.”*

#### **Adjourn:**

Commissioners had no further business to discuss. Mr. Young requested action.

*Ms. Guldner motioned, Mr. Helwig seconded, and it was unanimously voted, “To adjourn the Conservation Commission meeting.”*

The Conservation Commission meeting ended at 9:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Dawson

Commission Secretary