

FINAL
PRINCETON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES FOR MEETING

August 16, 2016

PRESENT:

John Vieira, Ron Thompson, Brian Keevan, Holly Palmgren and Sue Mitchell from the PCC plus Brett Trowbridge Associate Member were in attendance.

John Vieira called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A continuation for a Notice of Intent received Wachusett Mountain Associates for Wachusett Ski Area's Routine Maintenance. Located at 499 Mountain Road, Princeton. DEP File No. 267- 0387. John Vieira and Brett Trowbridge did a site visit on June 20, 2016 with Mary Ann DiPinto. Wetland C was more expansive, Wetland B was a different shape and larger and needs to be surveyed for wetland boundaries. The isolated wetland needs to be shown on the plans. Natural Heritage indicated that an endangered plant was in the area and mowing should be done in the fall after the plants have reseeded. DEP File No. 267-0387. Site visits were done on 8/8/16 with Brian Keevan and Mary Ann DiPinto and on 8/9/16 with John Vieira, Brian Keevan and Mary Ann DiPinto. The Water Quality Certification is in effect for 2 more years. Routine Maintenance entails mowing once a year in the late fall, repairing water bars as needed, pond maintenance, and replacing broken water pipes. Rare plants exist on the ski slopes. A public hearing opened at 7:40 PM and closed at 8:12 PM. Motion to issue an Order of Conditions was made and an Order of Conditions was issued with special conditions as written.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A Notice of Intent was filed for Kenneth Vaughan for 8 Radford Road, Princeton by Caron Environmental Consulting for the replacement of a sewage disposal system for a single family home. DEP File No. 267-0388. The public hearing was opened at 7:15 PM and ended at 7:35 PM. A site visit took place on 8/15/16 with John Vieira, Ron Thompson, and Sue Mitchell from the PCC and Associate Member Brett Trowbridge. A Presby System was designed by Chris Knuth, with associated grading. A motion was made to issue an Order of Conditions; an Order of Conditions was issued with special conditions as written.
- Discussion regarding the interest expressed by 2 Princeton residents to serve on the Commission. Richard Chase from Stage Coach Road, Princeton attended the meeting and addressed the Commission regarding his interest and back ground to serve as a PCC member. The second resident interested Brian Foley, Sterling Road has not responded back to the Commission.

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- Discussion regarding the lease agreement for Craig Stimson. This discussion was tabled for now.
- PCC discussed the rotating of Chair position, John Vieira turned it over to Brian Keevan. PCC accepted it unanimously.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE:

- Request for Certificate of Compliance received from MaryAnn DiPinto for Wachusett Mountain Associates, 499 Mountain Road, Princeton for DEP File No. 267-231. Site visits took place on 8/8/16 with Brian Keevan and Mary Ann DiPinto and on 8/9/16 with John Vieira, Brian Keevan and Mary Ann DiPinto. Motion to issue a Certificate of Compliance was made and a Certificate of Compliance was issued.
- Request for Certificate of Compliance received from MaryAnn DiPinto for Wachusett Mountain Associates, 499 Mountain Road, Princeton for DEP File No. 267-178. Site visits took place on 8/8/16 with Brian Keevan and Mary Ann DiPinto and on 8/9/16 with John Vieira, Brian Keevan and Mary Ann DiPinto. Motion to issue a Certificate of Compliance was made and a Certificate of Compliance was issued.
- Request for Certificate of Compliance received from MaryAnn DiPinto for Wachusett Mountain Associates, 499 Mountain Road, Princeton for DEP File No. 267-228. Site visits took place on 8/8/16 with Brian Keevan and Mary Ann DiPinto and on 8/9/16 with John Vieira, Brian Keevan and Mary Ann DiPinto. Motion to issue a Certificate of Compliance was made and a Certificate of Compliance was issued.
- Request for Certificate of Compliance received from MaryAnn DiPinto for Wachusett Mountain Associates, 499 Mountain Road, Princeton for DEP File No. 267-239. Site visits took place on 8/8/16 with Brian Keevan and Mary Ann DiPinto and on 8/9/16 with John Vieira, Brian Keevan and Mary Ann DiPinto. Motion to issue a Certificate of Compliance was made and a Certificate of Compliance was issued.

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- A Request for a Certificate of Compliance was received from Christopher Fife for 11 Old Brook Station Road. DEP File No. 267-0368. A site visit took place August 15, 2016 with John Vieira, Ron Thompson, Sue Mitchell, and Associate Member Brett Trowbridge. The driveway showed erosion to a sediment basin, the owner has been grading the driveway and cleaning the erosion pond regularly. A motion was made to issue a Certificate of Compliance with special conditions. A Certificate of Compliance was issued with condition: At a minimum regrade the driveway and remove sediment from the sediment basins once a year or as necessary to prevent sediment from altering wetlands until paved.

FOREST CUTTING PLANS:

- Forest Cutting Plan received from Wayne Adams for Merriam Road, Princeton to cut 75 cords submitted by Joseph Lee.

The minutes from the May 23, 2016 and July 19, 2016 meetings was accepted with minor changes as noted.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Marsha Dowdy