

SUTTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
May 19, 2010
MINUTES

Approved: _____

Present: Mark Briggs, Chair, Joyce Smith, Co-Chair, Alyse Aubin, Daniel Rice, Jack Sheehan,
Staff: Wanda M. Bien, Secretary
Brandon Faneuf, Consultant

Wetland update

7:00pm 48 Griggs Road

Present: William Fox, owner, David Buckley, Architect, Richard Kirby, LEC Env. Consultant

B. Faneuf reviewed the site visit about the stabilization of the bank and extended retaining wall.

R. Kirby replied that they utilized the extra stones for the bank portion and would remove the concrete. They would re-stake the silt fence and add stakes if necessary.

J. Sheehan specified that the Order of Conditions states appropriate and effective erosion controls should be maintained at all times.

M. Briggs explained and issued a violation warning to Mr. Fox and said these issues needed to be taken care of by noon on Friday or a ticket of \$200.00 a day would be issued. Mr. Briggs will do another site visit on Friday at noon. He would like to see representation from the neighbor that they don't have a problem with the wall between the properties. Mr. Briggs said they are supposed to monitor the erosion controls daily, and they can also use silt socks and/or use extra rows of haybales. Mr. Briggs said they need to fix the erosion controls no later than Friday at noon. See you in two weeks and at noon on Friday. The building inspector has given the ok to go ahead to work on the interior of the house.

7:05pm 34 Hough Road

Present: Ronald Nedroscik, owner

M. Briggs explained the wetland concern and the letter that was sent to the owner, stating it was checked and verified from the road. The owner cut within the buffer zone and was asked to come back with a delineated plan, prepared by a wetland scientist, showing a restoration plan for the replanting of trees in the jurisdictional area. Mr. Briggs questioned his last response of cutting the trees for firewood before the Asian beetles got them. Mr. Briggs explained that the owner needs to come back to the Commission with a plan showing the amount of trees taken out of the jurisdictional area and what will be replanted. He has two weeks to come back with this plan. Mr. Briggs asked what was going to be done with the rest of the land that was denuded?

Mr. Nedroscik replied his plan was to take the trees down, stump it, and get some company to plant hay to help pay the taxes on this property.

J. Sheehan told Mr. Nedroscik to call the Forester Guy LaChance for further information about cutting trees.

Mr. Nedroscik is to come back in two weeks with his plan.

NEW BUSINESS

Route 146 Right-of-way

No DEP#RDA

The Public Hearing was opened at 8:00pm. M. Briggs read the hearing notice as it appeared in the Millbury Sutton Chronicle.

The project consists of using targeted application of herbicides along Route 146 between exit 6 and 7 to eradicate and control invasive species and provide general vegetation management, for roadside right of way along Route 146 between exit 6 & 7, in Sutton.

Present: Knick Novick, Environmental Consultant, for John Engwer, of Mass Highway

K. Novick stated why he was there instead of Mr. Engwer. He explained that the person applying the herbicides is licensed to do so. The spraying would be done between exit 6 and 7 on Route 146. Mr. Novick asked if there were any questions that he could bring back for the next review date?

M. Briggs replied, what kind of chemicals would they use, and what invasive species are they trying to attack, and are there any resource areas within 100' of the application?

J. Sheehan asked if there was a heritage issue? Mr. Novick could not answer about the heritage, but said there was no standing or running water when they looked at the site last fall. They are planning to use the least dispersive method of liquid application, injected into the stem and follow up with the spray of the re-growth then they will cut and swiping the plants. The goal from the highways point of view is to cut down the amount of mowing and to try to re-establish the native vegetation, and change the areas of mowing.

M. Briggs said the Commission would like to see the final results in a report form, because knotweed is very difficult to control and they would like to understand how this worked.

Motion: To continue, with the applicant's permission, to June 16, 2010, by J. Sheehan

2nd: J. Smith

Vote: 5-0-0

CONTINUATIONS

14 Welsh Road

DEP#303-0691

The Public Hearing was opened at 8:10pm. M. Briggs read the hearing notice as it appeared in the Millbury Sutton Chronicle.

The project consists of installing a new in ground swimming pool with retaining walls, pool shed, and Tiki Bar behind existing single-family house.

Present: Jim Blittee at L.P., for Norman Hill, Land Planning, Martin Blitz, owner

J. Blittee explained that they staked out the haybale line and the location of the pool.

M. Blitz handed out the information on the pool and patio area.

M. Briggs stated that at the site visit it was said the patio area would be reduced. He said the information about the reduction needed to be on the plans and information about the pool and materials used for the patio also should be included.

B. Faneuf summarized his site visit information.

J. Sheehan said a construction schedule is also needed and a statement if the patio materials are pervious or impervious blocks.

A. Aubin stated a replanting plan for the trees removed is also needed.

Motion: To continue, with the applicant's permission, to June 2, 2010, by J. Sheehan
2nd: J. Smith
Vote: 5-0-0

39 W. Sutton Road

DEP#303-0689

The Public Hearing was opened at 8:30pm. M. Briggs read the hearing notice as it appeared in the Millbury Sutton Chronicle.

The project consists of replacement of an existing cesspool with a tight tank.

Present: Steven O'Connell for Eric Bassette of, Andrews Survey, Roger Sevigny, owner.

E. Bassette said the owner would like to get approval of the tight tank, after he gets the approval he will go ahead with the alternative systems. The Board of Health has already approved the tight tank plans. There was no action from the DEP that was submitted. There would be possible excavation of materials and a spoil pile may be used. He explained how they would get everything from the roadway using a crane to lift the equipment, over the house, onto the site.

M. Briggs said it would be written into the Order that if there was any exposed soil left overnight, it is to be covered with a tarp and surrounded by appropriate and effective erosion controls.

Motion: To close the Public Hearing, by J. Sheehan
2nd: A. Aubin
Vote: 5-0-0

Motion: To Issue an Order of Conditions subject to the applicant providing Conservation with a plan showing all spoils from the excavated material be protected with appropriate and effective erosion controls and covered through the duration of the project, by J. Sheehan

2nd: J. Smith

Vote: 5-0-0

14 Wheelock Drive

DEP#303-0686

The Public Hearing was opened at 8:10pm. M. Briggs read the hearing notice as it appeared in the Millbury Sutton Chronicle.

The project consists of construction of a pond that is adjacent and connected to an intermittent stream.

Not Present: Dan Nitzsche, Project Env. Scientist, Bay State, Gerald Caya

D. Nitzsche continued with the applicant's permission, to June 16, 2010.

Motion: To continue, with the applicant's permission, to June 16, 2010 with the caveat that this be the last continuation, there would be no more continuations, by J. Sheehan

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2nd: J. Smith

Vote: 5-0-0

BOARD BUSINESS

9:00pm

The Board signed a Certificate of Compliance for 83 Lackey Dam Road for the owners, Mr. & Mrs. Brochu for them to sell their house.

Motion: To issue a Certificate of Compliance for 83 Lackey Dam Road, by J. Sheehan

2nd: J. Smith

Vote: 5-0-0

The Board signed an Extended Order of Conditions for Lake Singletary.

Motion: To issue an Extended Order of Conditions for Lake Singletary, by J. Sheehan

2nd: A. Aubin

Vote: 5-0-0

The Board signed an Amended Order of Conditions for 6 Tuttle Road, and a Complete Certificate of Compliance for 83 Lackey Dam Road, Quabbin Path, 112 Providence Road/Dileo Gas, and 320 West Sutton Road.

A letter would be sent out to 20 Grace Ave and 458 Boston Road.

Review Site Visits done on May 15, 2010

The Minutes of April 7th, April 21st and May 5th were tabled to the next meeting.

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Motion: To adjourn, by J. Sheehan

2nd: J. Smith

Vote: 5-0-0

Adjourned at 10:00pm.