

SUTTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
September 19, 2012
MINUTES

Approved: _____

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

Project Update

7:00pm

86 Duval Road

Present: Robert Murphy (Murphy Associates), for Katherine Hamelin (owner)

R. Murphy reviewed the plans and brought the Commission up to date with details of the site as it stands now. He said that the stream was dry when he was there. Kathy Hamelin took pictures of the stream and brought them in to the secretary prior to the meeting.

Mr. Murphy will bring in a new revised plan with the correct erosion control details for the next meeting.

M. Briggs asked Mr. Murphy to explain and advise Mr. McGovern, that when there are changes on the plans, the plans need to be brought in front of the Commission for review.

7:15pm

7 Point Way

Present: Christopher Windle, owner

M. Briggs said he received a call from a neighbor to take a look at the gully being created under his fence. He also reviewed the letter sent to Mr. Windle on September 10th, stating he needs to replant the trees in the next 30 days. Mr. Briggs did a site visit, noting that nothing has been replanted. There is an erosion ditch being created on the Triola's side of the easement area. There is also a flat area near the dock that isn't on the plan. He took photos of the area for everyone to review at the meeting.

The secretary will send another reminder notice for Mr. Windle to attend the next meeting.

M. Briggs read the information from Mr. Faneuf's email that he received.

7:30pm

42 Bond Hollow Road

Not Present: Henry Hayes, contractor supervisor, for Timothy Fisher and Shayna Scanlon

This was continued, by the owner, to October 17, 2012 meeting, per an email.

J. Smith's concern is the water that creates a puddle in the roadway at the base of their driveway. This will be a dangerous situation during the winter months.

M. Briggs recommends a letter to be sent to the owners explaining what was observed on the site, and request that they come to the next meeting.

NEW PUBLIC HEARING

None at this time

CONTINUATIONS

24 Holt Road/King's Family Campground

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:45pm. M. Briggs read the hearing notice as it appeared in the Millbury Sutton Chronicle.

The project consists of repair of an existing dock.

Not present: Chris Klama (Manager), Lester Szawlowski (owner)

M. Briggs reviewed the site visit notes. After seeing the new dock, Mr. Klama was told that he didn't have to appear at the next meeting, but should send us proof that the wood that he built the new dock with was suitable for the water and purchased after the 2004 bylaw that the wood no longer contains arsenic. The secretary explained that Mr. Boutiette sent information about the wood that they were referring to, about the removal of all chemicals and the arsenic making it suitable to use in the lakes and ponds.

Motion: To continue, with the applicant's permission to October 3, 2012, by J. Sheehan

2nd: J. Smith

Vote: 5-0-0

227 Putnam Hill Road/Blackstone National Golf Club

DEP#303-0747 from July 25, 2012

The continuation was opened at 8:00pm. J. Smith read the hearing notice as it appeared in the Millbury Sutton Chronicle.

The project consists of surface water withdrawal from wetland/pond to augment irrigation of golf course on an emergency basis only.

Present: Donald Provencher, Provencher Engineering, LLC, Michael Gordon, owner

This was continued, with the applicant's permission, to September 19, 2012

M. Briggs said that he had a conversation with Mr. Gordon and told him that his Emergency Certificate would expire as of this meeting. If there was need for more pumping, he was to contact the Commission so that they could acknowledge the fact that he is back in the area working. Mr. Briggs also did a site visit and saw where the actual out flow of the pond is. He thinks that most of the water is coming through the whole dam structure, enough so that there is a defined channel below it that forms the stream. This seems to be the major contributor of the stream that winds up at the Manchaug Water Treatment Plant on Putnam Hill Road. He spoke to B. Kickham at DEP. The Commission is waiting to hear from results of the testing for fish from this pond to determine if this is a vernal pool. This would then determine if Mr. Gordon would be able to withdraw the 100,000 gallons a day.

Mr. Gordon is going to pull the pumps out of the wells to see if there is something wrong with the pumps that he currently has. He has also drilled another well which is not on line yet. DEP has recommended that as part of the Order of Conditions, that he not, take more than two inches of water from the pond, regardless of the 100,000 gallon allowance. Mr. Briggs feels that this pond is big enough that it could have a fish population.

The Emergency Certificate would not be extended. If they call the office tell them that they need to take pictures of the meter before and after, and that someone would be out to see them right away.

Motion: To continue, with the applicant's permission to October 3, 2012, by D. Rice
2nd: A. Aubin
Vote: 5-0-0

BOARD BUSINESS

Minutes were tabled to the next meeting

The Board signed Routing Slips for **27 Oak Drive** for a septic repair, Mr. Briggs said that this is in the back of the lot and he doesn't see any issues. Mr. Briggs measured the distance from the lake to the back of the lot. He will also do a site visit. They also signed the **Mumford River Trail Acceptance** for the Planning Board to present to the Board of Selectmen.

7:40pm Discussions were as follows

66 Wilderness Drive - M. Briggs explained that the Consultant went out on this site for a pre-construction meeting on October 13th. He read the report from Mr. Faneuf.

18 Eight Lots Road - M. Briggs explained that the Consultant did a site visit on this property and read the report he received from Mr. Faneuf. The Commission needs to send a letter saying they need to provide the Commission with a revised plan.

58 Main Street - The secretary explained this was an FYI. They need new abutter's notices for a Notice of Intent. The previous filing is under the new two year Government Extension Act to 2014.

124 Manchaug Road - the Board of Health has approved the septic plans. A. Aubin will do a site visit for the erosion controls inspection.

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company - The secretary reviewed the information from the letter received from the Gas Company. The Commission needs to answer their request. A letter would go to the Tennessee Gas Company with the concerns of the wetland areas in question. They should notify Conservation once the work has been completed. They should then come in to let the Commission know there are no adverse or long term impacts to that wetland area.

Rules & Regs – a workshop would be on October 24, 2012 at 7:30pm to review for the Warrant in May of 2013. The secretary would find out when the deadline is for the May meeting.

The Board reviewed the Correspondence.

Anyone interested in purchasing the DVD for any public hearing at this meeting, please contact Pam Nichol's in the Cable office or you can view the minutes and video at www.suttonma.org.

Motion: To adjourn, by J. Sheehan
2nd: J. Smith
Vote: 5-0-0

Adjourned at 8:10pm.