

Meeting Minutes

To: Members of Upton Conservation Commission
Cc: Upton Town Clerk
From: Denise Smith, Administrative Clerk
Re: **Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 1/26/11**

Members Attending:

Chris Scott, Marcella Stasa, Tom Jango, Scott Heim, Mike Penko

Meeting Timeline:

7:30PM NOI (continued) Landfill Closure Dave Therrien

- Tentative agreement with Natural Heritage subject to Conservation management plan.
- No on-site mitigation; paying for off-site.
- Con Com is named in the Escrow Agreement (for wood turtle habitat) thus will need to sign.
- Dave will provide a copy of the draft Order from Natural Heritage so that we can see if any conditions that should be in the Con Coms Order of Conditions.
- Request to close the NOI public hearing; motion made and approved hearing closed.
- Motion made to accept the Escrow Agreement per final review by the Chair and Chair given signing authority – motion accepted.

7:50PM “JR Estates” RDA Mike Weaver of G&H

- 5-lot Open Space Residential Subdivision on 44 acres off West River St; 24 acres open space.
- Have begun discussion w/ Natural Heritage on resource areas & the Army Corp of Engineers.
- Plan (building areas) seems to be outside the jurisdictional area of the Con Com (riverfront and wetlands) but will require a site visit when snow melt allows.
- M. Penko raised issue of the detention basin on the Open Space land. Will this affect a CR if pursued?
- Also some discussion as to access to the town well fields that are planned for the future.
- Possibility of developing trails in the OS areas – expand upon some footpaths that already exist along the river.
- Limited work line delineate per the request of Natural Heritage.
- Con Com would like to see the flood plain delineated on the lots for sake of the future property owners.
- Hearing continued to Wed., March 9 @ 7:30 pm.

8:25PM Blackstone Valley Tech HS Jim Brochu of BVT

- Proposal to build an athletic field off Chestnut St.
- Site will include 1-regulation size men’s softball field; a garden area to be utilized by BVT; nature trails and 93 parking spaces.
- Material for parking area – possibly looking to use recycled asphalt.
- No lighting is planned for the field. Limited lighting for parking area. Request of the Con Com for lights to be able to be turned off manually in order to allow night sky activities.
- Discussion on detention basins/catch basins and retaining walls.
- Discussion on gates for parking areas – not likely as want to allow town use of this facility (field & land).
- Site visit when snow melt allows.
- Hearing continued to Wed, March 9 @ 7:45 pm.

8:10PM General

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- Contract agreement signed by Con Com.

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- Read and approved minutes from 12/22/10

Finances

- Current vouchers signed.
- Discussion of FY12 Budget w/ particular concern for Agent position.

9:30 PM Active Sites

- COC's signed for 3 lots on Mendon St (Afonso)
- COC signed for Peppercorn Hill (Open Space)
- COC signed for Warren Brook (Open Space)

9:55PM Motion to close regular meeting and enter into executive session under MGL Chpt 39 Sect 23B #3 to discuss pending legal matter.

10:15PM Meeting Adjourned

Minutes approved on _____

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