

Meeting Minutes – Wednesday 6/27/12

To: Members of Upton Conservation Commission
cc: Upton Town Clerk
From: Denise Smith, Administrative Assistant

Members Attending:

Chris Scott, Mike Penko, Marcella Stasa, Tom Jango, Alan Miano, and Sandy Lajoie

7:35 General/Pending/Active Items

Meeting Minutes - Motion to approve mm from 6/13/12 – 2nd & approved.

Website

- AM continues to update; new prototype is underway.
- MS has been working on FAQs for website.
- TJ will provide some photos and info on beaver activity.

7:45 PM NOI – 4 Merriam Way

Shaughna & Brian Giracca

- Building a 20' x 21' addition on the side of house on the existing lawn area; addition will have a foundation
- Wetlands to the rear of the property; riverfront area – 100' buffer zone.
- Property slopes down to the river will need erosion controls.
- Not building any closer to the river/wetlands.
- Waiting for DEP & NHESP; hearing is continued to 7/11/12 at 7:30.

General Items continued

OSC

- Prioritizing open space needs for CMRPC.
- MP will be meeting w/ Rec Com to walk the Amato Farm (East St) property to discuss possible recreation needs; some restrictions due to wetlands.
- Selby & TJ did some preliminary wetlands delineation at South St (Poirier property); will do a site walk w/ Rec Com to discuss the property.
- CS spoke w/ H. Poirier regarding beavers he will come to Con Com prior to taking any action; He will also be coming in to talk about a forestry plan for South St property.

LSC

- Bridge at SWF is done; part of fence has been installed.
- Boy Scout project at Peppercorn Hill on National Grid land is hoping to start by late July. Liability was an issue – the Town is talking w/ National Grid to come to an agreement on this.
- We will require and NOI as this project involves crossing the Mill River; Milford only required an RDA; also there are rare species involved.
- Motion for MS to purchase lumber and supplies for LSC – 2nd and approved.

Erosion Controls discussion

- Straw wattles – concern w/ biodegradable material – how quickly will it breakdown.
- Also concerns with animals/reptiles getting caught/trapped in the material (netting).
- Stump grindings from a site are excellent for erosion control; doesn't bring in invasive species.

Southboro Rd

- DPW would like to water on both sides of Southboro Rd at the same level; they have agreed to remove all old materials and have agreed to fill the channel where the old beaver deceiver was. They (DPW) would like a letter from the Con Com to specify what they can and can not do prior to beginning any work at this site.
- TJ will draft a letter from the Commission

Agents Report

- Per report dated 6/14/12 – 6/27/12.

Motions to sign:

- COC for 15 Hartford Ave N (originally issued in 2010) – 2nd & approved.
- COC for 75 Williams St – 2nd & approved.

Finances

- Current vouchers signed.

9:35PM Herbicide Policy (draft dated 5/23/12)

- Will put draft on website
- Will hold an informational meeting on 8/8/12 at 8 pm; put article in Town Crier.

10:00PM Meeting Adjourned

Minutes approved on _____

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