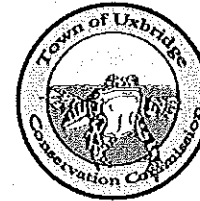


Town of Uxbridge
 Conservation Commission
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Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes
 Monday, January 5, 2015 – 6:30PM
 Board of Selectmen Meeting Room, Uxbridge Town Hall

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Please note some items may have been taken out of agenda order.

Present: Chair Russell Holden, Treasurer Jim Hogan, Clerk Jeffrey Shaw, Members Tracy Tibedo and Patrick Hannon. Also present Conservation Administrative Assistant, Laura Neill

Absent: Conservation Administrator, Kristin Black, Member Mike Potaski

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Notice of Intent (NOI), 312-990, 19 Depot St. (Assessor's Map 25, Parcel 157) - *continued from 12/15/14, awaiting green cards and revised plans*
 Applicant: Capron Corporation Representative: Eric Bazzette, Heritage Design Group
 Project description: Installation of building sewers, a sewer pump station and sewer force main within Bordering Land Subject to Flooding and Riverfront Area
 - o Discussion: A revised plan was emailed to Kristin Black 12/29/14 and included a note of no dewatering without a dewatering plan approved by the Commission. Revised plans show stockpile area and show erosion controls of compost tubes in lieu of hay bales and silt socks in catch basins. Erosion controls surround catch basins and stockpile areas. The green cards were submitted. Compost and silt stacks will be added to catch basins. Large door leading into building is available to store items in, if the need arises. Submitted revised plan to Kristin electronically. If any dewatering is necessary, the contractor will come back to the Board with a plan to do that. Russell Hogan noticed that the plan indicated a third silt stack – any concern? No. Patrick Hannon stated that it will be required that there is a cover for soil stockpile; none is necessary for a stone stockpile. Tracy Tibedo stated that if any dewatering occurs, contractor should notify the Board.
 - o **MOTION: I, Mr. Tracy Tibedo, move close the Public Hearing for NOI 312-990, 19 Depot Street, and issue a standard Order of Conditions with the Town of Uxbridge, with two special conditions: 1) All soil stockpiles should be covered and 2) If any dewatering is to take place, the contractor should notify the Conservation Commission prior to dewatering. Seconded by Mr. Patrick Hannon, the motion carried 5-0-0.**

ACTIVE WETLAND CASES

1. NOTICE OF INTENT (NOI), 312-9xx, 79 River Rd (Map 45, Parcel 1345), cont'd awaiting comments from MA-DEP
 Applicant: Bedrock Crossing LLC Representative: Andrews Survey & Engineering
 Project description: Fill ILSF, grade and create gravel lot.
 - o No discussion
 - o **MOTION: I, Mr. Jeff Shaw, move that the Commission continue the Public Hearing for the NOI for 79 River Road to the next regularly scheduled meeting. Seconded by Mr. Jim Hogan, the motion carried 5-0-0.**

WETLAND UPDATES/ISSUES

1. Update on dewatering at East Hartford Ave, DEP 312-972
 - o Discussion: The project is largely finished. Dewatering equipment was moved offsite and the road is open. Project is finished, there may be a small amount of soil to stabilize, but the dewatering is complete.

Contractor was able to dredge appropriately, without going past the boundaries of work. The channel to Peaceful Pond is undisrupted.

2. Update on Enforcement Order for Flagg RV at 865 Quaker Highway
 - o Discussion: Patrick Hannon reported that he has had negative contact not received the contract. Patrick Hannon stated if he can't contact them this week we can send a letter. Patrick Hannon reported that it doesn't look any worse or better than the last time he and Russ visited.

REPORTED/POTENTIAL VIOLATIONS

OTHER

1. Request for Recommendation of Chocolog Road as a Scenic Road presented by Michael Healy. This request has been brought before the Board previously. The previous request was for the scenic road designation to begin at 146A and end at the Douglas line. The request has been changed for the designation to begin at Mill Street and end at the Douglas line. This change was made due to the fact that 146A is a state road and not eligible for the designation. Wasn't a recommendation at Town Meeting, it was found out of order. Request was made for a recommendation at Town Meeting so that the town could vote on the designation. Recommendation is based on the historical significance and wildlife located in the area around Chocolog Road, what it means to be designated. An area of thirty-two feet along the road is town property, it does is not an individual resident's property. A person wanting to remove trees or stone wall would have to go before Board. Absence of strict bylaw isn't a reason to not make it a scenic road. Tracy Tibedo sees no downside to the designation. Michael Healy cited his concern about future development – Board decided it was a non-issue, has no bearing on the designation. Michael Healy noted that the designation has a level of support among residents, as well as the developer of Cobbler's Knoll, Frank Marinella. Marinella volunteered to add a parking area to access wetlands areas and there is an interest in volunteers developing trails, develop it as an area of recreation. Russ talked to Town Manager, David Genereux about the designation and questioned whether the designation would open the town up to legal implications. If there were a formal inquiry, to determine the legal implications to the town, we would need to vote as a commission to direct Town Manager to seek council on the legal implications of this for cost to the town. Jeff doesn't think that it is a legal issue.

I, Tracy Tibedo motion to make a recommendation to designate Chocolog Road as a scenic road. Motion was seconded by Jim Hogan. The motion carried 5-0-0.

Tracy Tibedo had recently visited Pout Pond and noticed that there is not an ice ladder near the pond, which would be necessary in the event that someone were to fall through the ice. He will contact the fire department to have one brought. Tracy questioned whether dogs are allowed on the beach area during the winter months. Jim Hogan stated that per the rules, dogs are not allowed, regardless of the time of year, as it would have wetlands implications. Jim Hogan replied that they are allowed on the trails surrounding the pond, but the beach rules from summer apply year round.

2. Proposed Spending Plan for WPA funds in FY 2015 and FY 2016 Letters were submitted Town Manager, Dave Genereux. Discussion was led by Jim Hogan. Jim Hogan would like to receive specific dollar amounts and missing projection for next Fiscal Year and will contact David Genereux to receive them. It was noted that funds for the position of Administrative Assistant are coming from the town budget. Jim will get back to David Genereux – will request a not to exceed amount for training, memberships. Tracy – would be nice to have salaries separate, memberships separate. Motion should be made in response to requests for distribution of funds.
3. Discussion on Conservation Budget for FY 2016 was led by Jim Hogan. Board doesn't have all of the information that they need, so they will have to talk to Town Manager, David Genereux, and revisit this.
4. MACC Annual Environmental Conference, Saturday, February 28th, Holy Cross College. Kristin sent out a notice to Board, offer certificates in 8 units. Regulatory, wetlands designations. Tracy Tibedo plans to attend.
5. Reminder of Snow Cover Policy (Adopted April 1, 2013) Beneficial for all to review the policy.
6. Review of proposed site visit notification. Jim stated that a request was made by David to clarify conditions for site visits. Goal is to clarify what the Conservation Agent can do without notifying the Board. See Site visit matrix for Conservation Agent as prepared by Jim Hogan. NOI – come to Public hearing, schedule a

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site visit at that time. Should happen between the first and second public hearing. Tracy's concern is that any approval from the Board will take a month. Can we be pre-emptive and schedule the site visit ahead of time? RDA – If we don't make a determination within 21 days, the applicant can move forward anyway. Reported violation, Agent can go on his own. If Cease and Desist order is issued, Board has to act on it within 7 days, regardless as to whether a meeting is scheduled within that timeframe. See site visit matrix for conservation agent as written by Jim Hogan. Any change in policy has to be presented 7 days prior to voting on. This could be voted on at next meeting. Russell Holden requested the addition of, "In Case of Emergency" conditions. Jim Hogan would like to schedule times for weekend site visits to occur. Let the Board know by a predetermined day that they need to be done and they could plan to visit. Discuss with Kristin next week. Add category for a General Inquiry. Jim Hogan will revise document and present it at next meeting.

PROCESSING

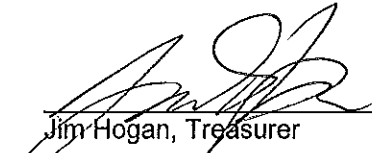
1. Endorse Order of Conditions for Commerce Drive (312-992) and Providence St. (312-991)
2. MOTION to approve minutes from 12/15, made by Jeff Shaw, seconded by Jim Hogan the motion carried unanimously (5-0-0).

At approximately 7:55pm, MOTION by Mr. Patrick Hannon to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Jeff Shaw, the motion carried unanimously.

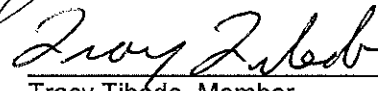
Respectfully submitted,
Laura Neill
Conservation Administrative Assistant



Russell Holden, Chairman

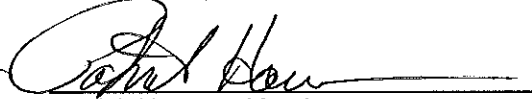


Jim Hogan, Treasurer



Tracy Tibedo, Member

Jeffrey Shaw, Clerk



Patrick Hannon, Member

Date