

Town of Uxbridge  
 Conservation Commission  
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Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes  
 Monday, June 6, 2016  
 Board of Selectmen Meeting Room, Uxbridge Town Hall

Received by  
 Uxbridge  
 Town Clerk

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

**Present:** Chairman Patrick Hannon, Treasurer/Vice Chair Jim Hogan, Secretary Jeff Shaw, Member Lauren Steele, and Melissa Dillon-Conservation Administrator  
**Absent:** Members Dale Bangma & Russ Holden

It being 6:30 pm, the meeting being properly posted, duly called and a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by the Chair.

1. Andrew Gorman-Potential New Member
  - o Discussion: Mr. Gorman is a technical writer for Natural Services and has been following some cases that the Conservation has been dealing with.
2. Eagle Project-Francis Caccavelli
  - o Discussion: Mr. Caccavelli would like to build 4 benches around the pond in order for better viewing of the Pond and in order to keep an eye on children. The benches would be open so you can sit on both sides and will be spaced easily.
  - o **MOTION: I, Mr. Shaw move that we accept the Eagle Project to install 4 benches at the edge of the Pond. Seconded by Mr. Hogan, the motion carried 4-0-0.**
3. Discussion on Pout Pond
  - o Discussion: Only Coast Guard Approved Lifejackets will be accepted at the pond and water wings and arm floaties can only be used in the swimming area. Passes will be handed out the next day with the rules stapled to a bag containing the parking pass and bracelet. The North Uxbridge Polish American Club has donated the services to help fix up the Snack Shack including drop ceilings
  - o **MOTION: I Mr. Hogan, move we approve the Pout Beach Rules as amended. Seconded by Ms. Steele, the motion carried 4-0-0.**
  - o **MOTION: I, Mr. Shaw, move that we accept the fees as \$45 for a Season Pass and \$3/person for walk ins. Seconded by Mr. Hogan, the motion carried 4-0-0.**

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA), 114 Douglas Street (Map 18B, Parcel 4545)**  
 Applicant: David Martin  
 Project Description: Repaving of existing driveway within the Buffer Zone to an underground brook and culvert.
  - o Discussion: No representative present.
  - o **MOTION: I, Mr. Hogan, move that we issue a Positive Determination. Seconded by Mr. Shaw, the motion carried 4-0-0.**
2. **Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA), 156 Albee Road (Map 41, Parcel 2975)**  
 Applicant: Frank & Jill Kenrick  
 Project Description: Removal and clean-up of downed and rotted trees within the Buffer Zone to a resource area.
  - o Discussion: The Kenrick's would like to clean up the site for safety as there are people who fish at the pond. The Commissioners would like the trees that are fallen by or in the pond to stay but the ones that are standing and dead and by the road can be removed. The trees to be removed should be marked and then approved by the Commission. A site visit is set for Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.
  - o **MOTION: I, Mr. Shaw move that we continue the Public Hearing until the next scheduled meeting. Seconded by Mr. Hogan, the motion carried 4-0-0.**
3. **Notice of Intent (NOI), DEP #312-10XX, 70 Richardson Street (Map 29, Parcel APO 1355)**  
 Applicant: TTK Real Estate, LLC  
 Representative: Andrews Survey & Engineering

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Project Description: Proposed 15 lot Residential Subdivision with associated grading, drainage, and utilities that has portions within the Buffer Zone of a Bordering Vegetated Wetland.

- Discussion: DEP File number received with DEP comments. Mr. Connelly gave an overview of the project. The representative would like to schedule a site walk and determine how much of the site should be staked out. It is still going through peer review with the Planning Board and there is expected to be more. Ms. Steele believes that the drain easement should be revisited and determined as a wetland. A site visit was set for the 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.
- **MOTION: I, Mr. Shaw, move that we continue the Public Hearing until the next scheduled meeting. Seconded by Mr. Hogan, the motion carried 4-0-0.**

### 4. Notice of Intent (NOI), DEP #312-1013, 255 Chocolog Road-Cobbler's Knoll (Map, 39, Parcel 4254)

Applicant: FIKOW, LLC

Representative: Andrews Survey & Engineering

Project Description: Construction of 52 single-family residential building lots and associated grading within the Buffer Zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands.

- Discussion: Asked to be continued.
- **MOTION: I, Mr. Hogan, move that we continue the Public Hearing until the next scheduled meeting. Seconded by Mr. Shaw, the motion carried 4-0-0.**

### 5. Notice of Intent (NOI), DEP #312-100X, 68 Henry Street (Map 20, Parcel 2517)

Applicant: Countryside Associates, LLC

Representative: Andrews Survey & Engineering

Project Description: Construction of 12 townhouses with associated paving, landscaping, utilities, and earthwork within the 200' Riverfront Buffer Zone

- Discussion: Asked to be continued.
- **MOTION: I, Mr. Hogan, move that we continue the Public Hearing until the next scheduled meeting. Seconded by Mr. Shaw, the motion carried 4-0-0.**

### 6. Notice of Intent (NOI), DEP #312-1014, 177 River Road (Map 45, Parcel 3166)

Applicant: Giguere Realty

Representative: Heritage Design Group

Project Description: Construction of a septic system for an existing garage with second floor office within' the 200' Riverfront Area of the Blackstone River.

- Discussion: Administrator talked with FEMA about the septic being in the flood zone. FEMA stated that regardless of where it stands in the flood zone as long as there is no elevation change there is not a problem. Special condition that construction soils are taken off site.
- **MOTION: I Mr. Hogan, move that we approve the Notice of Intent with the Uxbridge Standard Conditions and the special condition that all construction spoils will be taken off site. Seconded by Mr. Shaw, the motion carried 4-0-0.**

## REPORTED/ONGOING VIOLATIONS

### 1. 32 Church Street

- Discussion: No representative is able to make it to the meeting but is willing to address the situation. There was an anonymous complaint about the landscaping waste and that they are using it as a dumping site for their business waste. The house across the street, owned by Alternatives, will keep an eye on the property and place a fence if there is more waste filled in. We will ask representatives to come in for the next meeting.

### 2. 142 South Street

- Discussion: The Commission will wait until Joe Bellino from DEP comes back from vacation.

### 3. 350 & 410 North Main Street

- Discussion: Waiting on NOIs and will continue until the next meeting.

### 4. Flagg RV

- Discussion: Mrs. King sent in a letter of concern and all concerns will be address with Dam Safety

### 5. 9 Balm of Life Spring Road

- Discussion: Passing off to DEP.

## PROCESSING

### 1. Endorse Meeting Minutes 5/16

- Discussion: Will be put off until next meeting for quorum.

## ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH MAY LAWFULLY COME BEFORE THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

### 1. Wetland Bylaw Review and Discussion

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- Discussion: Ms. Steele questions that 'strictness' of the bylaw versus the Wetlands Protection Act. We have added fees for violations and the strict 25 no touch zone to a rule instead of policy.
- 2. Open Space & Recreation Plan/Committee
  - Discussion: Ms. Steele would like to be the representative for the Commission.
- 3. Yearly Reorganization
  - Discussion: Commission will continue until the next meeting to have all members present.

**MOTION: I, Mr. Hogan, move that we adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Shaw, the motion carried 4-0-0. Meeting adjourned at approximately 8 pm.**


**ADJOURNMENT-NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY JUNE 20, 2016**

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Respectfully submitted,  
Melissa Dillon

  
Patrick Hannon, Chairman

  
Jim Hogan, Vice Chair/Treasurer

  
Jeffrey Shaw, Clerk

6/20/2016  
Date

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Russell Holden, Member

  
Lauren Steele, Member

  
Dale Bangma, Member