MINUTES WEST BOYLSTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION JULY 1, 2009 MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT: William Chase, Chair, Charlene Hopkins, Vice-Chair, Leonardo Angiulo, David Eckhardt, John Hadley, and Clerk Toby Goldstein

MEMBERS ABSENT: Colin Cahill and Mark Meola

Mr. Eckhardt motioned to open the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Angiulo seconded. All in favor.

Minutes of May 6 Meeting:

Mr. Angiulo requested that the Clerk add to the minutes that he recused himself from the Surabian Realty Notice of Intent public hearing at that meeting. Mr. Hadley motioned that the minutes be accepted as amended. Mr. Chase seconded. All in favor.

Minutes of June 3 Meeting:

(Due to a lack of quorum, only informal discussions took place at this meeting, and it was postponed until July 17). Mr Angiulo motioned to accept the minutes as submitted. Ms. Hopkins seconded. All in favor.

Minutes of June 17 Meeting:

Mr. Eckhardt motioned to accept the minutes as submitted. Ms. Hopkins seconded. All in favor.

Continued Public Hearing, D & S Realty, 125 Hartwell Street, DEP File #327-0246:

(Steven Migridichian and Arthur Allen represented). Mr. Allen discussed how Mr. Migridichian noticed wetland on the property after brush and other debris from previous storms had been cleared away by a landscaper. It was formerly a detention basin. Plant life had hindered proper drainage there. Mr. Migridichian intended to beautify the property in addition to the storm damage cleanup. In the Spring of this year, he consulted the Commission, who did not see any wetland issues and allowed him to proceed. He is proposing to convert from brush to wet meadow on the property. Woody roots would be stripped and the area seeded with wetland seed mix. There would be no change in grading and the culvert outlet would be protected. Once or twice a year, between July 1 and November 1, to avoid the nesting season, the area would be mowed. There will be no tree planting, only some removal of diseased trees. Mr. Eckhardt motioned to close the public hearing, and issue an Order of Conditions, with project specific

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conditions of maintenance program, according to Plan B, 500009, revised 5/6/09. Mr. Hadley seconded. All in favor.

Ernie's Car Wash, 114 West Boylston Street, Request for Certificate of Compliance, DEP File #327-0207:

Mr. Hadley discussed that the intended seeding and paving on the property was complete. Mr. Chase mentioned that drains are there to catch water from the 1% pitch. Mr. Eckhardt motioned to issue the Certificate of Compliance. Mr. Angiulo seconded. All in favor.

Robert Dunn, Request for Certificate of Compliance, 44 Worcester Street, DEP File #327-0240:

The Order of Conditions for the above, issued 12/07, was never recorded with the Registry of Deeds. Several people who were members of the Commission at that time and who signed that Order are no longer on the Commission. Ms. Hopkins motioned to draft an affidavit of acceptance of the original by the present Commission, which would be attached to a copy of the signed original. Mr. Chase, as Chair and as a member who signed the original Order, would sign the affidavit. The Clerk would send both, with a cover letter explaining this, to Mr. Dunn, instructing him to have this Order recorded, and the Commission could vote on the Certificate of Compliance at the August 5 meeting. Mr. Angiulo seconded. All in favor. Mr. Angiulo motioned to continue the request for the Certificate of Compliance to the August meeting. Mr. Eckhardt seconded. All in favor.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Asian Longhorned Beetle Update:

Mr Eckhardt presented information to the Commission. Out of 500 trees in Hillside Village, 3 were found to be infested with ALB. In addition to Hillside Village, the Forest Service will fully inspect Angell Brook Village and other areas in West Boylston. The Town, however, does not seem to be heavily infested. After the tornado of the early 1950's, Worcester planted many maple trees, which are in the area where most of the problem occurs. As yet, a systemic pesticide for infested trees has not been developed. Meanwhile, the plan is to inoculate trees before infestation.

Afra Terrace:

Mr. Eckhardt and Tristan Lundgren of DCR have visited the site already. Mr. Eckhardt will look at it again.

Murphy Enforcement Order Rescind:

Mr. Chase will draft a letter to withdraw the Enforcement Order.

Mr. Eckhardt motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. Mr. Hadley seconded. All in favor.

Submitted by: ______ Date accepted: ______