

**MINUTES
WEST BOYLSTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
DECEMBER 7, 2011 MEETING**

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mark Meola.

At 7:09 p.m., Mr. Eckhardt motioned to open the meeting. Mr. Hadley seconded. All in favor.

Minutes of October 5 and November 2, 2011 Meetings:

After reviewing of both sets of minutes by the Commission, Ms. Hopkins motioned to accept both sets of minutes as submitted. Mr. Hadley seconded. All in favor. (Mr. Eckhardt abstained as he was not in attendance at either meeting).

Update on 259 Worcester Street:

The need for emergency driveway repair at this property was discussed at the November 2 meeting. The Commission received a letter and photos from Scott Goddard of Goddard Consulting, discussing the proposed work and displaying photos of what was done. Mr. Chase informed the Commission of the fact that he signed the Emergency Order for the work to begin, that no special permit is needed, and that the clerk should email Mr. Goddard and Nancy McGrath of DCR to send us a summary of the work for our files upon completion.

Update on Olde Century Farm Road:

Lawyers involved in sale of different lots of the above property have been trying to obtain Certificates of Compliance on the lots in order to clear title for sale. Commission members discussed some of the history of the development, including the fact that the bank took possession of it in May, 2009, and that the maintenance trust was later dissolved. Meanwhile, there were Orders of Conditions that expired. The Commission instructed the clerk to invite Mark Brodeur, Building Inspector, to attend the January 4, 2012 meeting to discuss this matter and the matter of building permits issued for the development.

ALB Update:

Mr. Eckhardt discussed the matter with the Commission members. He mentioned that, in West Boylston, 3 of every 4,000 trees has been infested. Infested trees have been taken down, and in the vicinity, other trees have been inoculated with pesticide. The government is now
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working on replacing removed trees. West Boylston is downwind of the original infestation, so there is less likelihood of more infestation here than in other areas. Due to second generation infestation, there are still many more years of the problem left. Research on trapping and treatment continues to be done.

Submitted by: _____

Date accepted: _____