

**MINUTES
WEST BOYLSTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOVEMBER 2, 2011 MEETING**

MEMBERS PRESENT: William Chase, Chair, Charlene Hopkins, Vice-Chair, Mark Meola, and Clerk Toby Goldstein.

MEMBERS ABSENT: David Eckhardt, Vice-Chair, and John Hadley, Vice-Chair.

At 7:00 pm, Ms. Hopkins motioned to open the meeting. Mr. Meola seconded. All in favor.

Update On 12 Chapman Street:

Discussed at the October 5 meeting, there was a problem on this property of flooding due to beavers. According to Mr. Chase, the beavers were removed and the flooding problem was resolved.

Update On Minnich/Tashjian Property Breakdown:

Tristan Lundgren of DCR sent to the Commission (on file) a map that indicated property control at 378 Prospect Street. Land outlined in green has Agricultural Preservation Restrictions (APR), land outlined in yellow has Watershed Preservation Restrictions (WPR), and that outlined in red is the only piece of property that Mr. Minnich owns that is excluded from restriction.

Update On Beavers Along The Railroad:

According to Mr. Lundgren of DCR, who sent an update on this situation to the Commission, while there are still beavers along the railroad that are causing a water buildup problem (discussed at the October 5 meeting), one has been removed, and once the others are gone, the lodges and dam will be removed.

Minutes of October 5 Meeting:

Ms. Hopkins motioned to continue these minutes to the December 7 meeting. Mr. Meola seconded. All in favor.

Request for Partial Certificate of Compliance, 10 Olde Century Farm Road, Lot 11:

(Carole Helwig represented). Construction here was completed in 2007. The bank is now trying to sell this property, which is in foreclosure. No additional work is involved. A

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Partial Certificate of Compliance will clear title for this lot only, due to the fact that the original Order of Conditions expired, DEP File #327-0212. Ms. Hopkins motioned to issue a Partial Certificate to 10 Olde Century Farm Road, Lot 11. Mr. Meola seconded. All in favor.

259 Worcester Street:

(Marcia Bilton, property owner, and Mark Goehl represented, for Scott Goddard, wetlands scientist and Bob Ullo of Robell Excavating Co., Lunenburg). On this property is a long driveway, with no street parking due to it being too hazardous to do so. There is a 25 ft. long corrugated culvert, adjacent to Bordering Vegetated Wetland. In particular after Hurricane Irene, water levels rise above the pipe. Erosion is taking place between the pipe and the asphalt (see photos presented to the Commission, on file). The pipe is intact. Some blockage has been removed, but backup has caused deterioration. There is an issue of accessibility in emergency, by town fire, etc. Meanwhile, erosion is causing soil to flow downstream. The representatives are seeking Emergency Certification to repair the problem. They are recommending that workmen dig below the driveway and remove material, carry it away by truck, and replace the material with crushed stone or gravel. Mr. Chase informed them that emergency repairs can be done but an actual filing needs to be made. The Commission needs to have an actual job description, including the actual size of the area to be repaired. Ms. Hopkins motioned to issue the Emergency Certification once proper paperwork is signed and authorization is received from DCR. Mr. Meola seconded. All in favor.

At 7:30 pm, Ms. Hopkins motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Meola seconded. All in favor.

Submitted by: _____

Date accepted: _____