

West Newbury Conservation Commission
Minutes - August 06, 2012

Present: Dawne Fusco (chair), Judith Mizner, John Dimitry, Jay Smith (conservation agent)

7:30 p.m. - Meeting called to order

Public Hearing - Notice of Intent 24 River Rd (DEP # 78-598) for the construction of a seasonal dock within the Merrimack River resource area and inland bank

Representative William Law presented the plan for the proposed platform and dock. Platform will be staked for a site walk on August 19, 2012 at 8:00 a.m.

No comments from DEP

Screws rather than blocks will be used for the floats; mooring will be concrete block

Hearing continued at request of applicant to August 20, 2012.

Discussion - certificate of compliance request 69 Church St. (DEP # 78-584)

After review of the order and a report from Smith the Commission deferred issuance of the certificate because the work has not yet been completed.

Discussion - 188 Crane Neck St. violation

Smith reported that a septic system was being installed in what appears to be the buffer zone to BVW without any filing with the Commission. The septic system plan did not show wetlands. Work was started before sign-off by the Commission. The Commission discussed how to attempt to avoid similar issues and decided to send a letter to the Board of Health suggesting that the sign off by the Conservation Commission required for the installation of a septic system be received by the Board of Health before the BOH authorizes the start of work. Mizner will draft a letter for review by the Commission.

Discussion - request for vista pruning at 83 River Rd.

Commission will meet with the owners on August 19, 2012 after 24 River Rd. site visit to discuss locations and criteria for vista pruning

Discussion - 97 Moulton St.

Smith to contact owners about mowing done after issuance of order of conditions

Discussions - other violations and updates

Smith reported to Commission on observations of intrusions into wetlands on Garden St., Coffin St. and Crane Neck St. Smith will follow up and update Commission.

Captain Pierce restoration work is proceeding slowly.

8:40 p.m. - Meeting adjourned