



## *Paxton Conservation Commission*

Minutes, January 12, 2012 Meeting

Location and Time Paxton Town Hall 7:40 – 8:55 pm

**Attendance Commissioners:** Chris Keenan (chair), Justin Thackeray (vice-chair), Marisa Ayvazian, Michael Voorhis, James Robert, Holly Robert (Associate). **Absent:** Daniel Gehnrich. **Others present:** none.

Minutes of the December 8, 2011 meeting were approved with minor correction; minutes filed reflect these changes.

### **Public Hearings:**

**Notice of Intent** for installation of a culvert on Davis Hill Road. Continued from December 2011. More time was requested to produce a design for the guardrail that would be within budget. The hearing was continued to February 9<sup>th</sup> 2012 at 8pm.

**Notice of Intent** for construction of new homes and associated septic systems at Lots 1 & 2, Davis Hill Road. This was continued from the December 2011 meeting. The property owner was out of town and therefore requested a further continuation. The hearing was continued to February 9<sup>th</sup> 2012 at 8:15 pm.

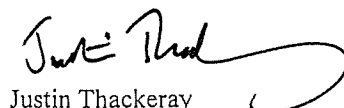
**Notice of Intent** for home additions at 29 Suomi Street. Necessary payments to DEP were missing; hearing was opened and immediately continued to February 9<sup>th</sup> 2012 at 8:15 pm.

### **Miscellaneous**

- There was agreement to discuss possible changes to our "special conditions" applied to all Standard Orders of Conditions, and whether to develop wording for a possible wetlands Town bylaw.
- The Planning Board has received a definitive plan for the Paxton Senior Housing Project on Grove St. David Ross & Associates generated the plan, which was then reviewed by Quinn Engineering. Keenan recused himself from the discussion. Commissioners examined the plan; no part of the project is within 100' of wetland, so the work is non-jurisdictional for the commission, but the Planning Board is asking for comments. After examining the plan it was agreed that we should request a haybale/silt fence wherever work comes within 20' of the buffer zone, and that the limit of work should be shown on the plan. Thackeray will send an email to Sheryl Lombardi requesting same.
- Ayvazian visited Conservation land near Illig's Pond and found some old lawn chairs but no recent evidence of unusual activity there. No further action will be taken.
- An email was received from a resident saying that wetland filling may be taking place at McCann Place. Jim Robert visited the location and reported seeing filling taking place beside the driveway near a detention pond. Other commissioners will visit the site in the next several days.
- A bill of \$98.28 from the Worcester T&G was approved.
- Previous visits by Keenan showed no wetlands issues at 27 Camp St and 8 Woodland Drive.
- Jim Robert will visit 12 Bel Arbor Drive.
- A revised plan was received for lots 1 and 2, Davis Hill Rd. The houses have been moved to more than 50' from the wetland line; the replication area was moved as requested by the commission; the lots have been renumbered to reflect their original numbering (as requested); stone walls have been proposed between driveways and wetland buffer zones to prevent future wetland incursion; the septic system leach fields have also been moved further from wetland.

The next meeting of the Commission will be held on Thursday, February 9th at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Justin Thackeray