

Approved 12/11/14

PAXTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION



MEETING MINUTES

November 19, 2014

Location and Time: Paxton Town Hall 7:42-9:20 pm

Attendance: Commissioners: Chris Keenan (Chair), Michael Voorhis (Secretary), Tim Luring, Holly Robert (Associate), James Robert (Associate) Absent: Jerry Ryan, Marisa Ayvazian (V-Chair) Others present: none

Correspondence: A Forest Cutting Plan* was received from John Clark regarding a 43 acre parcel near South St. and Marshall St. It is for selective harvesting and includes long term forest management.

The MACC has received the dues payment but they need an updated list of members. Also, dues will be increasing for FY16 but not significantly.

Spaulding Woods/Davis Hill Rd. Tim Luring walked the property with Bob Clark and pointed out the issues to him. Mr. Clark said he would remedy them. Lot 1, existing conditions need an asbuilt which should be presented at the next meeting. Lot 2, the wetland replication area needs to be remarked. Mr. Clark wants to pave the driveway. TL told him that at the culvert, hay bales and silt fence need to be installed before it starts. Per Mr. Clark, the cart path will be blocked off again also. TL will check back with him in a couple of weeks.

Part-time Conservation Agent. Holly Robert stated that the interviews were helpful in finding people who had good qualifications. James Robert felt that traveling distance could make it difficult to do the required work sometimes. Chris Keenan was looking for someone with more care about the environment rather than someone looking to just add to their income. Also, the candidate should be able to look at a plan and understand it, review wetland lines, BVW data forms and verify evidence submitted. The members went through the candidates and discussed pros and cons of each. Michelle Grenier and Mia McDonald were chosen as the two best candidates. After careful consideration by all, it was decided to offer the position to Mia McDonald. Salary will be negotiated at that time. CK will send emails to the other candidates. Ms. McDonald will be asked to attend the next meeting.

Motion by Mike Voorhis to make an offer to Mia McDonald, seconded by Tim Luring, vote 3-0 in favor.

Minutes: Minutes of 10/9/14 were not vote upon for a lack of quorum for a vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, December 11, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheryl Lombardi

Town Services Coordinator

Reference Documents:

*As noted in the minutes, on file with the Paxton Conservation Commission.