

**PAXTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**MEETING MINUTES**

*September 13, 2018*



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**Location and Time:** John Bauer Senior Center 7:04pm-9:21pm

**7:04 PM Meeting opened**

**Attendance:**

Commissioners: Lenny Anderson, Chairman; Jim Robert, Commissioner; Holly Robert, Assoc. Member; Bob Ferguson, Commissioner; Donmarie Desrosiers, Commissioner.

Others present: Mia McDonald, Cons. Agent, Chris Keenan, Quinn Engineering.

Absent: Mike Voorhis, Vice Chairman;

**Minutes:** Minutes of August meeting were reviewed. JR motioned and DD seconded, and it was voted 3-0 to approve the minutes with two changes, BF abstaining.

**Bills:** Agent \$630 payroll bill. JR motioned and BF seconded; all voted in favor of paying the bill. Reimbursement Bill for namecard holders to Mia McDonald for \$29.42 for legal advertisement. JR motioned and BF seconded; all voted in favor of paying the bill.

**Correspondence:**

MACC Fall Conference Flier

**Informal Discussion**

Indian Hill Dumping – MM contacted the Town Administrator and the Assessor regarding response and state of tax payments for parcels in which dumping is occurring ((Map 27 and Parcels 130 & 131.) The Assessor stated the taxes have not been paid in years, the parcels are in tax title and the owner is unresponsive to requests for correspondence. The Commission discussed and decided to send a letter to the neighborhood residents in two months that follows the previous letter format, plus additional information on the Wetlands Protection Act (brochure), possible fines/enforcement, compost bins and lawn care.

DD visited George Wilson's property and spoke to his son, David Wilson, about the increasing size of the brush pile and its proximity to the adjacent wetlands. She asked them to not get any closer, burn during burn season, and keeping the pile 25 feet from any wetland resource area.

HR asked MM to look at the woodchip pile at Howe's farm stand to confirm it is 25 feet from the resource area.

Informal Discussion: Marc Curtis's lot with frontage on South Street and West Street. Chris Keenan from Quinn Engineering presented a preliminary plan showing two single family homes proposed off of one common driveway with access from South Street. The Commissioners discussed the shown wetland crossing and alteration. If the alteration could be kept under 5,000 square feet, as well as any altered wetland replicated at a ration of 2:1, and include the culvert crossing as alteration unless plan showing all stream crossing standards are met and shading effects are limited, then the Commission could review and hopefully condition such a design. The Commission asked MM to confirm that no other NOI for this parcel proposing access from South Street has been previously submitted.

Draft Regulations Discussion:

Sections completed by commissioners and staff collected into one document and distributed. Discussion around the selection of waiver wording took place.

Cormier Site Visit: the Commission decided to access the property from Moose Hill and visit on a Sunday.

Other Business:

BOH Plans & Building Permits: 9 Forestdale Road and 58 Grove St

Sites Visited: Pleasant Street (Fontaine Property) x3

60 Suomi St

14 Knollwood Rd

WCMP: site visit

Lot 16A Pleasant St: site inspection from road

End of Brigham Road

Pleasant St/Clark Property: site inspection from road

Upcoming Meetings: October 11 and November 8

JR motioned and DD seconded to close the hearing. The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mia McDonald,

Agent for the Conservation Commission

**Reference Documents:**

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