

PAXTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES June 8, 2023

Location and Time: Location and time: meeting was opened at 7:01 PM at the White Building (John Bauer Senior Center 17 West St.)

Attendance:

Commissioners: Mike Voorhis, MV, Chair; Bob Ferguson, BF, Commissioner; Donmarie Sespaniak, DS, Comissioner; Jason Lambert, JL, Commissioner; Commissioner; Douglas Dillon, DD, Conservation Agent

Others present:

Steve Daunais, Tata and Howard; Rabih Jreige 3 Old Lantern Cir.

Minutes:

DS moved to accept the minutes from the May 11, 2023 meeting with revisions. JL seconded. All in favor, none opposed

Bills:

Douglas Dylan submitted his bill for 16.5 hours \$31.31. JL moved to pay Mr. Dylan. DS seconded. All in favor, none opposed.

Correspondence received: none

Sites Visited:

DD was unable to arrange for a visit to 5 Cutler St.

3 Old Lantern Cir. DD visited and reports that vegetation has grown in and signs are in place to mark the wetland. DS moved to issue the Certificate of Compliance. JR seconded. All in favor, none opposed.

Notice of Intent:

Steve Daunais PE of Tata and Howard reported on the water main repair and replacement on West Street. The water main is to be moved across the street. A storm water pipe will be replaced in the same location. A new water main on Holbrook is also to be done. The project may be done in phases. The storm water drain will remain in service during the project. Hay bales will be placed and a sedimentation basin will be constructed. The water main will be made of ductile iron to be more resilient than the previous pipe. Wetlands are crossed by the road. All work will be in the paved area with erosion controls. The water main on West Street will be increased from 8 inches diameter to 12 inches diameter. The Holbrook water main line will be increased from 6 inches diameter to 10 inches diameter. We are still waiting for a DEP number for the order of conditions. BF moved to continue the issue to the next meeting. DS seconded. All in favor, none opposed.

Other business:

15 Old Lantern Cir. The Determination of Applicability form was sent out.

Board of Health plans:

5 Monticello

20 Indian Hill

Wi-Fi was not available during the meeting so plans will be reviewed by Chairman MV as soon as possible for any wetland infringement.

Douglas Dylan reported that DEP visited the drainage easement on Old Lantern Circle. A notice of intent will be done post hoc.

The commissioners discussed increasing community education. DD found a brochure from 2015 that could be copied and disseminated. MV suggested having brochures visible in the town hall. MV will develop a one page concise information flyer for key provisions and rules of the Wetland Protection Act.

DD asked about whether authorizations can be signed digitally. MV asked for a motion for Mr. Dylan, agent, to sign digitally for permitting. DS moved the motion. BF seconded, all in favor, none opposed.

Next meeting, July 13 on the 2^{nd} Thursday of the month as usual. BF will be on vacation. August 10 will be the following meeting.

DS moved to close the meeting, JL seconded, all present were in favor, none opposed. The meeting was closed at 8: 12 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Ferguson, Conservation Commissioner