



Paxton Conservation Commission

Minutes, December 17, 2012 Meeting

Location and Time Paxton Town Hall 7:40 – 9:02 pm

Attendance Commissioners:, Marisa Ayvazian (vice-chair), Michael Voorhis (secretary), James Robert (vice-chair), Daniel Gehnrich, Holly Robert (associate) Commissioners Absent: Chris Keenan (chair). Others present: Ruth Hiller of Robert Love Real Estate

Minutes: Minutes of the November meeting were not yet available.

New Business:

Request for Certificate of Compliance was received from Ruth Hiller for **55 Richards Avenue**, on behalf of Karen Matt, property owner. This pertained to a Septic System Replacement and Order of Conditions dated 2/8/2007 (DEP File No. 257-0236) and included a check for \$30. Marisa Ayvazian, Daniel Gehnrich, and Holly Robert reported that they had visited the property on December 12, 2012. The Request for Certificate of Compliance also included an "As-Built Plan" and copy of Board of Health Compliance Certificate. After discussion of the need that new home purchasers in Town to be made aware of their responsibilities as owners of land with protected resources, a motion to issue a Certificate of Compliance was made by Michael Voorhis and seconded by James Robert. Unanimously approved as submitted. Ruth Hiller will see that the Certificate of Compliance is properly recorded at the Worcester Registry of Deeds. The Commission will need to further investigate the best options to educate new home purchasers on their responsibilities to assure Wetlands Protection Act compliance.

Worcester County Memorial Park – large piles of earth have been observed at the Park and activity may be taking place in areas subject to jurisdiction. Discussion will be continued at the January 10, 2013 meeting.

Old Business:

Recruiting – After general discussion of options for recruiting new members, Holly Robert and Michael Voorhis will work on an introductory letter to be sent to parties who expressed interest at the Conservation Commission's Public Education table held at Paxton Center School in November (Election Day). This letter could then be presented to the Chairman for his approval at a later date. Other possibilities include an Open Meeting to get acquainted or a Group Site Visit which might get people excited.

Miscellaneous:

- A bill for advertising of \$65 from the Holden Landmark was unanimously approved after a motion by James Robert, and. second by Marisa Ayvazian.
- A reimbursement request of \$110 was received from Holly Robert for Fundamentals training at the fall MACC conference. This request was also approved as is customary. The training was appropriately billed at the MACC member rates.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02PM after a motion by James Robert, which was seconded by Michael Voorhis.

The next meeting of the Commission will be a Special Meeting to address a Notice of Intent for a Septic System Replacement for 40 Camp Street. An advertising error necessitated postponement of the Public Hearing and the Commission will attempt to schedule a Special Meeting to expedite this.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Commission will be on Thursday, January 10, 2013 at 7:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Holly Robert", written in a cursive style.

Holly Robert
Associate Commissioner

On behalf of James Robert, Vice Chair

Reference Documents:

Request for Certificate of Compliance, including attachments – 55 Richards Avenue, on file with Paxton Conservation Commission
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