



**PAXTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
June 10, 2021**

**APPROVED
7/20/21**

Location and Time: Remote ZOOM Meeting 7:00pm-7:49pm

7:00 PM Meeting opened

Attendance:

Commissioners:, Lenny Anderson, Chairman, Mike Voorhis, Vice Chairman; Bob Ferguson, Commissioner; Jim Robert, Commissioner, Holly Robert, Assoc. Member
Others present: Mia McDonald, Cons. Agent
Absent: Donmarie Desrosiers, Commissioner.

Others present: Rebecca Couture and Mark Letournea, 131 Suomi Street.

Chairman Anderson read aloud the remote meeting guidelines.

Minutes of the May meeting were reviewed. MV motioned, JR seconded and by roll call BF, MV, JR & LA voted in favor of accepting the minutes with changes.

Bills:

Payroll \$648.90 for April for a total of \$648.90 for Mia McDonald
JR motioned, BF and by roll call BF, MV, JR & LA voted in favor of paying the bill.

Public Hearings: None

Request for Certificate of Compliance for Lot 3 Suomi Street (Map 13, Parcel 5 portion,)

DEP File #257-0280, 9/12/2013 (Now 131 Suomi Street) Rebecca Couture and Mark Letourneau, current owners, present to request the Certificate of Compliance. The Commission discussed that the house was built in a different location than what was approved. Now being closer to the wetland resource area, the Commission would like to see a permanent bound between the lawn and resource areas along the 25-foot buffer. The owners agreed and requested to plant a row of shrubs, planted 3' to 4' on center and to cease mowing the 25 foot buffer to the wetlands. The Commission thanked them for their time and cooperation and asked them to call for an inspection once the shrubs were planted. Mia will visit the site to delineate the wetland resource areas. Another site inspection shall occur in October to review the plantings and the Commission will review the issuance of the Certificate of Compliance at that time.

Board of Health plans received:

30 Lancelot Drive septic replacement: No wetland resource areas present.

16 Eagle Lane: the engineer was notified that a Notice of Intent is required for the septic replacement.

Building Permit applications:

162 Richards Ave: site visit confirmed no wetland resource areas within 100 feet.

25 Lawrence Street: site visit confirmed no wetland resource areas within 100 feet.

such as condition of the property and if the Town has any plans for the parcel. MM will contact the Assessor's office and place the request to transfer on the August agenda.

Board of Health plans received:

277 Grove Street: No wetland resource areas present.

8 Pierce Circle: a Conservation permit application is forthcoming.

Building Permit applications:

13 Pond Street

Sites Visited:

See Building and Board of Health plans, above.

16 Eagle Lane – needs permit for septic replacement

1 Merry Lane – COC inspection

131 Suomi Street – visit with homeowners re: plantings for COC

Reminder of Upcoming Meeting Dates (confirm quorum): Thursday, August 12. The July meeting will be in person, not remote.

The Commission met James Lacasse, a resident and environmental scientist is interested in joining the Commission. He stated he works for a local environmental company called Water and Wetlands and has 10 years experience in pond and lake management. The Commission agreed Mr. Lacasse was more than qualified and asked MM to email the Board of Selectmen to recommend his appointment to the Commission. They thanked him for his interest.

Forest Cutting Plan received for Suomi Street. The Commission and staff reviewed the plan and determined the land was located behind 78 Suomi Street. Much of the area was proposed clear cut and minimal erosion controls were installed. The Commission asked MM to email the state forester their concern that this was not long-term forest management, but pre-development site clearing and should be permitted as such.

JR motioned and DD seconded and JR, LA, DD, BF and MV voted by roll call to close the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:01PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mia McDonald,

Agent for the Conservation Commission

Reference Documents:

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

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