



PAXTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

February 14, 2019

**Approved
5/9/19**

Location and Time: John Bauer Senior Center 7:04pm-9:15pm

7:04 PM Meeting opened

Attendance:

Commissioners: Lenny Anderson, Chairman; Mike Voorhis, Vice Chairman; Jim Robert, Commissioner; Bob Ferguson, Commissioner.

Others present: Mia McDonald, Cons. Agent, Mark Farrell, Green Hill Engineering, Daniel & Kristi Milano, buyers of 149 Suomi Street.

Absent: Donmarie Desrosiers, Commissioner, Holly Robert, Assoc. Member.

Minutes: Minutes of January meeting were reviewed. JR motioned and MV seconded, all voted in favor to approve the minutes as written.

Bills: Telegram & Gazette Legal Ad bills \$27.30; Agent \$630 payroll bill; Reimbursement to Mia McDonald for paying for registration for Bob Ferguson to attend the MACC conference, \$125. JR motioned and MV seconded; all voted in favor of paying the bills.

Correspondence:

Wachusett Greenways 2019 brochure
Treasurer's report
MACC Annual Conference flier
Wachusett Open Space Conference flier

Public Hearings:

Unfinished Business:

Notice of Intent for 149 Suomi Street (Lot 8), Map 13, Lot 5-8, DEP File #257-0316 by Daniel & Kristi Milano for proposed construction of a single-family dwelling, driveway, septic, well, grading, wetland crossing and associated site work. Mark Farrell of Green Hill Engineering presented; Daniel & Kristi Milano were present. Mr. Farrell explained his discussion and response to DEP comments about the infiltration basin and setbacks. He explained the design of the basin is the choke back and detain flow, but not to infiltrate, therefore the required setbacks are unnecessary and the basin has been relabeled. The Commission requested the extension of the erosion controls towards the drive and reviews the elevations of the basin. Mr. Farrell stated he would provide a revised set of plans with extended erosion controls.

The property buyers requested the ability to pave the driveway during the timeframe of the Order of Conditions. The Commission discussed and decided to make a special condition that the driveway may be paved, but not a requirement for the Certificate of Compliance; however the driveway must be stabilized as part of this Order.

MV motioned, JR seconded and all voted in favor of closing the public hearing.

MV motioned, JR seconded and all voted in favor of issuing an Order of Conditions for 149 Suomi Street (Lot 8), Map 13, Lot 5-8, DEP File #257-0316 with the special conditions that revised plans are received showing the extension of the erosion controls, a tracking pad at the entrance and the reduced use of de-icing agents and fertilizers.

Request for Certificate of Compliance for Lot 16A Pleasant Street, Map 11 Lot 16, DEP File #257-308. JR motioned. MV seconded and all voted in favor to issue a complete certificate of compliance.

Request for Certificate of Compliance for Lot 16A Pleasant Street, Map 11 Lot 16, DEP File #257-310. JR motioned. MV seconded and all voted in favor to issue a complete certificate of compliance.

Other Business:

Draft Regulations Discussion:

The Commission reviewed the full document. Bob Ferguson provided a list of useful edits. It was decided to send out the draft once Bob's edits were incorporated. Draft would be sent for feedback to the MACC helpline and local wetland consultant.

Tree Removal – 313 Richards Ave

Mark Love, homeowner, reached out via email requesting to remove a tree within the buffer to wetland resource areas. Mr. Love plans to access the work from the adjacent drive, leave the stump in place and have the tree debris removed from the property. BF, MV and MM visited the site and agree that the removal of the tree according to Mr. Love's proposal does not require a permit. The Commission discussed and agreed that a permit would not be needed for the work.

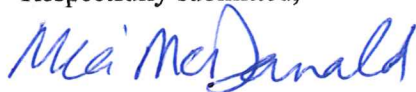
BOH Plans & Building Permits: None

Sites Visited: Worcester County Memorial Park, Pleasant Street/Fontaine (from Right of Way), Spaulding Woods (from Right of Way), 149 Suomi Street, Richards Ave – Love residence.

Upcoming Meetings: March 14 and April 11

JR motioned and MV seconded to close the hearing. The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Mia McDonald,
Agent for the Conservation Commission

Reference Documents:

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