

Present: Elliott presiding, Dinsmore, Masterson, Rand, Rice Absent: Boeing, Steeves

1/21/2020 - Minutes

1. Public Hearings, Public Meetings & Appointments

- A. 7:00 PM - Continuation Of Public Meeting Re: Request For Determination Of Applicability Filed By Kenneth Tully To Construct A Single-Family House With Driveway, Sewage Disposal System And Well With Grading For The House Within The Buffer Zone At 5 Powhatan Road/Lot 3.

Ken Tully was present for the meeting and provided details about construction of the lot. Tully explained that the lot is a former paddock area. The house was moved back slightly to accommodate the sewage disposal system due to poor soils, which pushed it slightly, approximately 20-25', into the 100' buffer. Wattles are proposed and will be installed as shown on the plan. Four 4 X 4 posts, with no-disturb signs will be installed. There is no work within the 50' buffer. The erosion control should be installed and inspected by Terrasi before any work begins. The property is within an NHESP area but comments from NHESP indicate no restrictions and no "taking". On a motion from Elliott, seconded by Rand, all VOTED: to issue a negative #3 and #6 Determination. The work is within the buffer zone but will not alter an Area subject to protection under the Act and does not require the filing of a Notice of Intent and the work is allowed under the Pepperell Wetlands Protection Bylaw. Kris Masterson arrived to the meeting.

2. Review Of Draft Minutes

- A. Review Of Draft Minutes Of December 3, 2019

On a motion from Elliott, seconded by Rand, all VOTED: to accept the draft Minutes of December 3, 2019, as drafted.

3. For Signature: Schedule Of Bills Payable

On a motion from Elliott, seconded by Rand, all

VOTED: to approve the Bills Payable to pay for fees associated with the Planning Board public hearing and Middlesex South Registry of Deeds recording fees for the Joyce donation at 70B Wheeler Street in the amount of \$436.36.

4. Conservation Administrator's Report

- A. Land Donation - 70B Wheeler Street, Finalized

The Paul Joyce land donation at 70B Wheeler Street has been finalized and the deed has been recorded. A request to the Planning Board to remove this parcel, which has no access to Wheeler Street from the Common Driveway was advertised, discussed, and granted at a Planning Board public hearing.

- B. Birch Drive Extension Appeal For Final Decision On Reconsideration Dated January 7, 2020

The abutter(s) have a final opportunity to appeal Commissioner Suuberg's Final Decision in Superior Court within 30 days from January 7, 2020.

- C. Donation - Carl Hebert

Carl Hebert has generously donated \$100 to the Conservation Commission. He has made a donation every year to recognize his appreciation for the Commission's hard work. A letter acknowledging the donation has been sent.

5. Other Business

- A. Annual Report

The Commission suggested this year's Annual Report focus more on land management highlights rather than the repetitive summary of previous years. Also, note the update to the Rules and Regulations.

- B. Native Plant Trust

The Native Plant Trust, formerly, New England Wildflower is looking for volunteers to monitor sites. Rice

said there is training provided and the work is often done in collaboration with NHESP. Terrasi will forward a copy of the flyer to the Commission. Copies of the flyer are available on the Conservation Commission counter.

C. Nashua Wild and Scenic

The Conservation Commission canoe launch on River Road is highlighted in the most recent Wild and Scenic Newsletter.

D. Eagle Scout Court of Honor

There is an Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Shane Yost, Mason Kosman, and Aidan Morehouse at the VFW. The Commission is invited to attend. The invite will be sent to each of you. Please RSVP if you are available to attend.

6. Matters That May Be Raised That The Chairman Didn't Reasonably Anticipate

None

There are no public hearings scheduled for February 4, 2020 and the meeting will be canceled.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Terrasi

Conservation Administrator