



Town of Hudson

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

78 Main Street, Hudson, MA 01749
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Meeting Minutes **January 4, 2024**

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by Chair James Martin

Roll Call: James Martin, Heidi Graf, Paul Osborne, Debbi Edelstein, Brooke Warrington, Jacob Millette, Patrick Thayer (associate)

Staff: Pam Helinek, Conservation Agent

Public Hearings

62 Coolidge Street, RDA #588

Present: Angela Schofield, MassDOT

The applicant proposes to move an existing fence to the property line, in Outer Riparian to Hog Brook, and remove encroachments from a neighboring landscaping service. Encroachments consist of piles of logs and other landscaping debris. James Martin moved to issue a Negative Determination, second by Paul Osborne, vote 6-0-0.

Coolidge Street, continued NOI #190-0564

James Martin moved to continue the hearing to January 18, 2024 at 7:00 PM, second by Debbi Edelstein, vote 6-0-0.

Administrative Business

Partial COC Request – River Road Lot 3

Pam Helinek performed a site visit and reported that the project was in compliance with the approved plans and stable, but that the plantings would be done in the spring and require a two year monitoring period. Heidi Graf confirmed that the plantings would include maple trees shown on the plans. James Martin moved to issue a partial COC, second by Heidi Graf, vote 6-0-0.

Invasive Vegetation

Present: Patrick Thayer, Ken Skudder

Patrick Thayer reported that he had been pulling barberry at Danforth, and had done an introductory walkthrough with Ken Skudder. He would like to have a large Tree of Heaven at the Skate Park removed and replaced with native trees. Patrick and Pam Helinek are meeting with Recreation Director Steven Santos next week to discuss the details. James Martin requested that the tree be replaced with a large tree sapling, and that other larger plants be included in spring plantings.

Minutes – James Martin moved to approve the minutes from December 21, 2023, second by Brooke Warrington, vote 5-0-1.

Adjournment

James Martin moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Heidi Graf, vote 6-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 PM.