



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Meeting Minutes May 2, 2019

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by chair Paul Byrne

Roll Call: Paul Byrne, David Mercer, Joe Rodrigues, Brandon Parker, Jason Weksner

Staff: Pam Helinek (Conservation Agent)

Public Hearings

539 Main Street (Sauta Fields), NOI, DEP 190-06xx

Present: Max Kamel, DPW Asst Director

Documents:

- Drainage Improvements Plan, 539 Main Street, Sauta Fields Complex in Hudson, MA; prepared by Thomas DiPersio, JR. Associates; signed and stamped by Thomas P. DiPersio, Jr. PE# 40077; dated 4/8/2019; revised 4/22/2019
- Notice of Intent: 539 Main Street (Sauta Fields)

The applicant proposes a drainage improvement project to the Sauta Fields parking lot. An existing leaching drainage system will be connected to Outer Riverfront Area via pipes beneath the field. An approximately 75 square foot area of riprap will spread the overflow into a wooded Riverfront Area. No salt is used on the parking lot. Joe Rodrigues requested that oil traps be added to the new catch basins to protect the Riverfront in case of overflow.

Paul Byrne moved to close the hearing and issue an Order of Conditions, contingent upon approval by DEP and on submission by the applicant of details on the required oil traps. If there are DEP comments to be addressed the hearing will be reopened on May 18, 2019 at 7:00 PM. Second by Jason Weksner, vote 5-0-0.

65 Hunter Ave, NOI, DEP 190-06xx

Present: Benjamin and Rebecca Pagano

Documents:

- Notice of Intent: Boat Dock, 65 Hunter Ave, dated April 2019

The applicant proposes to remove a wood dock from the shore of Lake Boon and replace it with a prefabricated, removable docking system. The docking system is constructed of aluminum and will be removed seasonally. The dock is 40 feet long and is supported by aluminum posts that sit

on top of the lake bottom. It sits on the bank without attachments, held in place by its own weight. Paul Byrne moved to close the hearing and issue an Order of Condition contingent upon approval by DEP and by the Lake Boon Commission. If there are DEP comments or changes required by the Lake Boon Commission, the hearing will be reopened on May 18, 2019 at 7:00 PM. Second by Joe Rodrigues, vote 5-0-0

Administrative Business

Minutes: Paul Byrne moved to approve the minutes from April 18, 2019. Second by Dave Mercer, vote 3-0-1

Enforcement Order – Keyes Farm Subdivision

Pam Helinek issued an Enforcement Order to the Keyes Farm Subdivision in Bolton. The Bolton Conservation Commission has taken Enforcement Action due to sediment traveling from the construction site into Danforth Brook. Since muddy sediment was observed at Danforth Falls in Hudson, the Hudson EO required wetland scientists to inspect Danforth Conservation Land for any sediment deposits and to remediate if necessary. The inspection has taken place and no deposits requiring remediation were found. The water in Danforth Falls and the Danforth Brook in Hudson is now clear. Paul Byrne moved to ratify the EO, second by Joe Rodrigues, vote 5-0-0.

Discussion – Water chestnut removal

Last year OARS was able to do water chestnut removal in Hudson by means of grant money. This year they have no funding and require \$1020 to do the work. Stow has requested money for their water chestnut removal from Town Meeting. The Commission agreed that this may be a good option in the future but it is too late for this year. Pam Helinek thought that some money might be available through the Community Development department. The Commission agreed that this would be an appropriate source for the money. Paul Byrne moved to provide whatever funding cannot be funded through Community Development to be taken from the Highland Commons account. Second by Jason Weksner, vote 5-0-0.

Adjournment

Paul Byrne moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Brandon Parker, vote 5-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.