

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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David Mercer, Chair	Emilie Wilder, Vice Chair	Brandon Parker
Heidi Graf	James Martin	Debbi Edelstein

Meeting Minutes May 14, 2020

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Hudson Conservation Commission was conducted via remote participation.

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by chair David Mercer Roll Call: David Mercer, Brandon Parker, Emilie Wilder, Heidi Graf, James Martin, Debbi Edelstein, Paul Osborn(Asst Commissioner), Joseph Mullin (Asst Commissioner) Staff: Pam Helinek (Conservation Agent)

Public Hearings

MBTA ROW/Central Mass Line Railroad, continued NOI, 190-0647

Present: Denise Bartone Eversource; Paul Jahnige, DCR; Katie Kinsella, VHB; Marc Bergeron, Epsilon Associates; Gene Crouch, VHB; Mike Hager, Eversource; Brian Waterman, WDI; Dean Bebis, Eversource; Barry Fogel, Keegan-Werlin

Heidi Graf recused herself since she works for BSC Group which sometimes consults for Eversource. Connection issues were experienced by Chair David Mercer and Vice Chair Emilie Wilder. Several public participants complained of problems with audio quality. Peer Reviewer Brian Waterman also experienced connection issues. The Commission decided to continue the hearing and to submit written questions to the applicant in advance of the next meeting to ease discussion. The questions will also be posted on the Commission website, as well as comment letters that have been received. Public participants submitted some questions in the Q&A box that will be included in the question list if the Commission agrees they are jurisdictional and appropriate.

Brandon Parker moved to continue the hearing to June 4, 2020 at 7:00 PM. Second by Debbi Edelstein, vote 5-0-1 by roll call

Administrative Business

Minutes: Emilie Wilder moved to approve the minutes from May 7, 2020. Second by James Martin, vote 6-0-0 by roll call.

Adjournment

James Martin moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Brandon Parker, vote 6-0-0 by roll call. The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 PM.