

**Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2014**

The Conservation Commission held a meeting on September 8, 2014 in the Town Office Building – Board of Health Office. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bouchard at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Robert Bouchard, Joseph Chamberlain, Linda Grubb, Hugh Rogers, Martha Schroeder and Ryan Trahan. Derek Maksy and Sarah Kulakovich were absent with prior notice; Nancy Yeatts, Conservation Agent; and Jennifer Jewell, recording secretary were also present.

7:02 p.m. – 139 Staples Shore

Stanley

Jason Youngquist was present for the discussion and reviewed the revisions requested by the Commission at the August meeting. Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Schroeder the Commission

VOTED: To accept the plans submitted on September 3, 2014 for review, waiving the 10-day submittal period. Unanimous vote.

Mr. Youngquist provided proof of abutter notification to the cities of Taunton and New Bedford. There was a review of the revised plan. The well on the abutting lot has been relocated on the plan. There was discussion regarding the Massachusetts Endangered Species Act filing and it was noted that the well installation on the subject property was included in that filing. The haybale line has been squared off. A sediment control trap is shown on the plan and Mr. Youngquist agreed to have a truck onsite for dewatering. It was stated that the stream is being designated as intermittent but it does serve as a tributary to a drinking water supply and will be subject to the applicable setbacks during the Board of Health review. Mr. Youngquist reviewed the methodology used in determining the flood plain elevations and Member Trahan confirmed the process. Ms. Yeatts had called Eric Carlson, from Flood Management, regarding the flood mapping and was awaiting a reply. Mr. Youngquist discussed the Board of Health oversight and inspection process. It was noted that this project is under a Massachusetts Endangered Species Act (MESA) review. Mr. Youngquist stated that he did not foresee any additional questions or concerns arising from the MESA review. Upon motion made by Member Schroeder and seconded by Member Chamberlain the Commission

VOTED: To close the hearing pending receipt of MESA review and issue an Order of Conditions with the following special conditions: Standard Special Conditions; A certified hauler must be onsite during the project for dewatering; All water and debris must be hauled off-site; All special conditions recommended by Natural Heritage during the MESA review process. Unanimous vote.

77 Pickens Street

Cody

Darren Michaelis, from Foresight Engineering and Michael Cody were present for the discussion. Mr. Michaelis submitted a letter to the Commission (dated September 8, 2014) and site photos. Mr. Michaelis noted that all work was done with by hand or with a chainsaw and that Mr. Cody was unaware that the tree cutting would require a filing with the Commission. Mr. Michaelis and Mr. Cody reviewed the timeline of events thus far and took issue with the fact that the Enforcement Order was issued after providing verbal permission to enter the property. It was stated that the stumps were not removed and soils were not disturbed. It was stated that, at a previous meeting, Mr. Cody made reference to future work on the site and it was agreed that Member Schroeder would visit the site to discuss replanting and the removal of invasive vines. There was question regarding a Certificate of Compliance for an outstanding Order of Conditions on this property. Mr. Michaelis requested that the Commission visit the site before making a determination of a required filing. A site visit was scheduled for Thursday, September 11, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. The Commission stated that based on the

event that had transpired the Commission was justified in issuing the Enforcement Order but will visit the site and determine the next appropriate action at the October meeting.

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There was a review of the minutes from the August 12, 2014 meeting. Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Schroeder the Commission

VOTED: To approve the minutes for the August 12, 2014 meeting. Unanimous vote.

Training

The Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissioners is offering free training at the Middleboro Public Library during the month of October.

Conservation Commission Goals

Chairman Bouchard reviewed a request from the Selectmen for the Commission to detail goals for the future. It was suggested that the Commission establish a protocol for monitoring Conservation lands. Commissioners will visit the sites after foliage has died off. The rehabilitation of the Boy Scout house is currently in the planning process with hopes to begin work in the next few weeks. The Commission would like to establish Vigers as a viable park. There was discussion regarding the future decision as to whether the Commission and/or the Town should hold land covered by a Conservation Restriction. The possibility of hosting another Open House/Informational Evening was mentioned.

Upcoming Meeting

The next meeting of the Lakeville Conservation Commission will be held at the Lakeville Public Library on October 14, 2014. Upon motion made by Member Grubb and seconded by Member Trahan the Commission

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Unanimous vote.