



**Pembroke Conservation Commission
Minutes of the Meeting of
July 10, 2017
Pembroke Town Hall, Veterans' Hall**

Disclosure: These minutes are not verbatim – they are the administrative agent's interpretation of what took place at the meeting.

All materials presented during this meeting are available in the Pembroke Conservation Commission office.

Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A § 22.

Agenda – May include topics not reasonably anticipated by the chairman at time of posting of the meeting.

Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A § 20.

Members present: Andrew Stevenson, Chairman; Richard Madden, Vice Chairman; Robert Clarke, Agent; Arthur Egerton, Member; Scott Glaubien, Member; Kyle Stenstrom, Member

Staff present: Rachel Keller, Administrative Agent

At 7:37PM, Mr. Andrew Stevenson, Chairman, opened the meeting, named all members and staff in attendance and stated that the proceedings would be made available to the public through video or audio broadcast on the PACTV Government Access Channel for broadcast at future dates and that all comments made in open session would be recorded.

PUBLIC HEARING

(cont.) Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation (ANRAD) – Water Street, Map E15, lot 17 & 17A – River March, L.L.C. (DEP File # SE56-991)

Invitees: Brad Holmes, Environmental Consulting & Restoration, LLC; Lenore White, Wetland Strategies, Inc.

Mr. Holmes informed the members that since he had not received the peer review report Ms. White prepared until the previous Friday, he was unable to complete a response in time for the meeting. After a cursory review of the report, Mr. Holmes was able to determine that all of the issues described by Ms. White are addressable. The items Ms. White highlighted were as follows

- Flag at D8
- Existence of a vernal pool
- New plans must show updated D8 and any other questionable areas

It was decided that Mr. Holmes would return on July 31 at 7:40PM.

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A motion was made by Mr. Clarke and seconded by Mr. Madden to continue the hearing to Monday, July 31 at 7:40PM. All in favor. Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING

(cont.) Notice of Intent (NOI) – off Valley Street, Map F5, Lot 26 – Brainfrank (DEP File # SE56-979)

Invitees: Stephen Kotowski, Webby Engineering

One of the conditions instructs the applicant to ensure a plan is recorded at the registry of deeds showing that lot 26 and lot 27 are combined and that a permanent conservation buffer be located the along the limits of work. There is also a condition that there will be a post and rail fence installed along the limit of work with conservation markers on every other post. Mr. Kotowski brought an updated plan that showed a correction to the title.

A motion was made by Mr. Clarke and seconded by Mr. Madden to approve and accept the order of conditions (OOC). All in favor. Motion passed.

DISCUSSIONS

Restoration of buffer zone at Copperwood Estates

In the original order of conditions for the roadways, there is a restoration of buffer zone condition because so much of the buffer zone was being impacted by the project. The proponents of the project may be changing their minds about the stream crossing and instead of using a box culvert as has been designed and accepted, they are looking into installing a bridge – this would result in less of a disruption in the wetland and buffer zone. There was discussion about the restoration of the buffer zone and how it applies when a homeowner wants to install a pool. Would they have to plant the trees and bushes then to dig them up for the installation of a pool or would they be permitted to plant the trees and bushes in another area where they would be left undisturbed to grow indefinitely?

Interview with candidate for commission vacancy – Jurgen Keller

Mr. Jurgen Keller was scheduled for an interview with the commission for the vacancy that currently exists, but was not in attendance. Mr. Madden informed the members that he was asked to speak on Mr. Keller's behalf. The chairman tabled the matter until July 17 so Mr. Keller and a second candidate, Mr. Mark Sotir, could be interviewed personally by the members.

Rotary road base material being used as landscaping cover

Mr. Madden informed the members that asphalt is being used on the route 14 project as erosion control and he is concerned about it migrating and impacting the fish. There was discussion about a letter being sent to P.A. Landers to give an opinion about the current status of the erosion. Mr. Glauben informed the members that P.A. Landers was already made aware of the situation and in response they increased the silt sock. He further stated that MA DOT would be able to provide more information to Mr. Madden. The chairman mentioned that it would be possible to obtain the plan to get more specific information.

Work performed at Luddam's Ford

Mr. Egerton asked if there was a DPW plan that outlines the work planned that he could view. Mr. Glauben informed him that the town administrator and not the DPW was working on the plan. Mr. Madden asked about money spent on work performed there. Mr. Clarke informed him

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that the conservation commission has no financial interest - aside from the tri-town trails project with Wildlands Trust - in the work being performed there.

At 8:17PM, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Clarke and seconded by Mr. Glauben. All in favor. Motion passed.

Materials and Exhibits

Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation (ANRAD) and accompanying materials for Water Street, Map E15, lot 17 & 17A – River March, L.L.C. (DEP File # SE56-991)

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Voucher for advertising – Gatehouse Media

Voucher for MACC annual dues

Voucher for nameplates from WB Mason

Order of conditions with special conditions for off Valley Street

Certificate of compliance for 42 Prince Way

Order of conditions for 253 Old Washington Street

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