

**HOLDEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 2nd, 2023**

Members Present: Kenneth Strom, Luke Boucher, Hannah Lipper, Heather Parry, David Nyman

Not Present: Michael Scott, Elizabeth Parent

Others Present: Glenda Williamson, Conservation Agent; Sara Flagg, Recording Secretary; Steve Ninos, Matthew Marro, 350 South Road; Tom Larson, Martelli Construction, Greenwood Estates.

Kenneth Strom, Vice-Chair, opened the meeting at 7:00 pm

GREENWOOD ESTATES – Construction, Sediment and Erosion Control;

Tom Larson, Martelli Construction, updated that in the past 2 months the debris in the 25-foot buffer has been cleaned out. There is an abutter that has been taking trees in the area for firewood since the start of the project and he has cleaned most of the logs up. Lot 61 within the sewer easement, had a washout but has been re-graded and stabilized, the lower section will need to be done one more time. T Larson stated that with all of the rain in July, the grass has been coming in nicely and all catch basins have been cleaned and are operating as they should. G Williamson shared site photos.

D Nyman asked about the breach mentioned in the July 11th Graves report. T Larson pointed out the area on the plans and explained that stormwater was coming out of the 12-inch pipe at the crossing but has since been cleaned and stabilized.

350 SOUTH ROAD – ENFORCEMENT ORDER

Assessing Map 181, Parcel 10. Unauthorized work in resource area and buffer.

Owner, Steve Ninos; Rep. Matt Marro, Matthew S. Marro Environmental Consulting (con't from July 5th)

Matt Marro shared the restoration plans and updated the Commission on the project. The trench along the road will be refilled and a new pipe will be connected to re-established the stream on the property. Winterberry and serviceberry will be planted on one side of the stream swale. The rain garden area at the end of the proposed stream above the stone wall will catch and filter the water from the stream. H Lipper asked the timeline for the planting in the rain garden. S Ninos stated that they would do it as soon as possible and would like to finish in September. The Commission discussed the flow out of the 12-inch pipe. D Nyman and L Boucher requested that they base their calculations on the pipe at full volume to determine what could theoretically flow out and then base the design around being stable for the maximum flow.

PROJECT UPDATES

HMLD Substation Adams Road - G Williamson shared that they received a letter from Quinn Engineering to request a change to the proposed grassed areas. They are requesting to change these grassed areas to gravel for less maintenance. After reviewing the plans, the Commission determined that the applicant has not demonstrated that this proposed change would be equivalent and that they need to supply evidence that the change would keep them in compliance with the

stormwater management plan.

200 Salisbury Street - G Williamson shared photos and updated that the tree cutting has been completed adjacent to the town pool area.

Fisher Road – Wingspan - G Williamson updated that they are cutting trees, she checked the limit of cutting and the erosion control boundaries during the field inspection.

Dawson Recreation - G Williamson updated that she attended the MEPA meeting and that there will likely be an Notice of Intent submitted soon.

Quinapoxet Transfer Pipeline - G Williamson updated that there is a meeting at the end of August and that a start date has not been determined.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 1, 2023 - Motion by D Nyman, seconded by L Boucher TO APPROVE THE MARCH 1st, 2023 MINUTES AS AMENDED. Approved by a vote of 5-0-0.

April 5, 2023 - Motion by H Parry, seconded by H Lipper TO APPROVE THE APRIL 5th, 2023 MINUTES AS AMENDED. Approved by a vote of 4-0-1 (L Boucher absent)

Motion by L Boucher seconded by H Parry to close the August 2, 2023 Conservation Commission meeting at 8:43pm. Approved by a vote of 5-0-0.