

**HOLDEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 6th, 2023**

Members Present: Michael Scott, Chairman; Kenneth Strom, Vice Chair, Elizabeth Parent, Heather Parry, David Nyman

Not Present: Hannah Lipper

Others Present: Glenda Williamson, Conservation Agent; Sara Flagg, Recording Secretary; M Marro and Steve Ninos, 350 South Road; Paul McManus, EcoTec, Fisher Rd Sewer Main; Thomas Jacobsen, Troop 182, Eagle Scout Project.

Michael Scott opened the meeting at 7:00 pm

GREENWOOD ESTATES – Construction, Sediment and Erosion Control

No representative attended the meeting. G Williamson updated that she did a site inspection today and that inactive areas are stabilized. She shared photos of the site.

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 August 2nd*)

M Marro updated that since the last meeting, J Votruba provided a detail for the drainage swale and is going to go out and do some additional topography calculations on the slope. M Scott asked about the current condition of the site. G Williamson shared photos from her site visit last week and summarized that they are waiting for calculations and the final grading plan. S Ninos stated that the site will be stabilized as much as possible.

REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION – FISHER ROAD SEWER MAIN Installation of a sewer main extension from 93 Fisher Road to the southerly terminus of Fisher Road. A portion of the work is located within the 100-foot buffer of BVW. Mike George, Wingspan Properties; Paul McManus Eco-Tec.

Paul McManus, Eco-Tec, explained that they are proposing to construct a sewer line down Fisher Road beginning at house number 93. There is an existing Order of Conditions for stormwater structures and the road upgrade. There are two areas along the proposed sewer line within the 100-foot buffer.

Motion by K Strom, seconded by D Nyman to **ISSUE A NEGATIVE 3 DETERMINATION FOR FISHER RD SEWER MAIN WITH A CONDITION THAT EROSION CONTROLS BE PLACED ALONG THE BOUNDARY OF ANY RESOURCE AREAS IN THE BUFFER.** Approved by a vote of 6-0-0.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT – 459 MAIN STREET

Thomas Jacobsen, Troop 182, was in attendance to present the project activities. He explained that the project would involve picking up trash along the shoreline of Chaffin Pond, clearing

overgrown trails and the installation of bird houses on one of the islands. The work on the walking paths will be limited to pruning and cutting vines and small branches with no tree removal included.

ENFORCEMENT ORDER – CUTLER ROAD

Assessing Map 84, Parcel 9. Unauthorized work in the 100-foot buffer.

G Williamson updated that she sent the enforcement order and is awaiting a response. She shared photos of the site and maps.

REQUEST FOR FINAL COC – 51 GREYSTONE DRIVE

Dep File # 183-0687. Assessing Map 171 Parcel 52. Construction of a single family home, septic and driveway crossing with two replication areas. Adam and Caitlin Rosario; Julian Votruba, NEED.

G Williamson shared photos of the site. It was stabilized and G Williamson instructed them to remove the wattles at the back of the replication areas to allow for better hydrology.

Motion by K Strom, seconded by H Parry to ISSUE A FINAL COC FOR 51 GREYSTONE DRIVE. Approved by a vote of 6-0-0.

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION – 242 BAILEY ROAD

DEP File # 183-0680. Construction of a single family home in the 100-foot buffer. Owner, Mark Ferguson.

G Williamson updated that the homeowner requested an extension for 3 years. G Williamson shared photos.

Motion by L Boucher, seconded by E Parent to GRANT A THREE YEAR EXTENSION FOR 242 BAILEY RD, DEP FILE # 183-0680. Approved by a vote of 6-0-0.

EMERGENCY CERTIFICATION – 2339 MAIN STREET

Assessing Map 82 Parcel 15. Replacement of the existing infiltrator chambers with a presby style leach field. The work is located within the 100-foot buffer of BVW. Jesus Castillo, Mark Elbag, Elbag Engineering.

G Williamson shared that this is a failed septic. Shared photos and plans of the site and explained they may be following up with an RDA filing.

PROJECT UPDATES

MCRT – Wachusett to Manning St - G Williamson shared photos and informed the Commission that cutting will begin soon.

HMLD Electrical Substation

G Williamson updated that the applicant informed her that they will use grass instead of stone/gravel for the qualifying pervious areas on the site.

Quinapoxet Transfer Pipeline – City of Worcester

G Williamson said that this project will be starting in the Fall.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 3rd, 2023 Motion by H Parry, seconded by K Strom to ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM MAY 3. 2023. Approved by a vote of 5-0-0 (D Nyman absent.

OTHER BUSINESS

M Scott asked if there was anything in the Bylaw about re-organizing the Commission. G Williamson answered that there hasn't been anything written specifically about term limits or re-organization but will look into it further.

Motion by L Boucher, seconded by K Strom to close the September 6th, 2023 Conservation Commission meeting at 8:06 pm. Approved by a vote of 6-0-0.