

Boxborough Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday April 3, 2013
Town Hall

Members present: Charlene Golden, David Koonce, Dennis Reip (Chair), Hoff Stuart, Rick Williamson and David Follett at 7:44.

Member absent: Norm Hanover

Dennis called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

Motion was made by Rick, seconded by Dennis, and unanimously voted 5 – 0 to approve the minutes of March 6, 2013.

Motion was made by David Koonce, seconded by Dennis, and unanimously voted 6 – 0 to approve the amended minutes of February 20, 2013.

Charlene reported the Open Space and Recreation Plan survey is done and will be mailed with the town warrant. Additionally, the survey will be available on the town web site.

The Commission reviewed correspondence.

Don McPherson, MMAF, has received the letter from counsel regarding the Amended Order of Conditions.

Cisco inquired about changes at the Mass Ave. site near the buffer zone and possible Commission verification. They should check their plans and/or have wetlands flagged.

They also inquired about a damaged well point in the pond near entrance at the Beaver Brook site. They should file an RDA.

Codman Hill Condominiums inquired about cutting down dead trees near the new pump house. Dennis checked the site and will inform them of requirement to file an NOI to remove only the dead trees.

Eduardo Pontoriero, property owner, and Bruce Ringwall, engineer, were present to discuss the request for a Certificate of Compliance for 113-442 Loreto Drive. Using a map David Koonce explained the encroachment into the buffer zone with boulders and lawn towards the new well. Selected thinning in the buffer zone is allowed and David suggested high bush blueberry to delineate limit of mowing.

Julian D'Agostine, applicant and property owner of 34 Mass Avenue, and Bruce Ringwall, engineer, were present to review the history of the project at that site. The applicant said they will prepare and submit a request for an Amended Order of Conditions. The Commission will support the issuance of a temporary certificate of occupancy, valid until July 31, 2013.

Commissioners should review the draft Buffer Zone Maintenance Policy and be prepared to discuss at the next meeting.

At the Town Administrator's request, the Commission reviewed the legal bills for the Fabian easement and decided they are not Commission responsibility.

The building inspector reported that disturbance at the Johnson property at 333 Liberty Square is minor and likely from plowing. Dennis and Charlene concur.

Regarding the email from Tina Stevens for the 6th grade gift project at Blanchard School, Dennis will communicate Commission questions and invite them to the next meeting on April 17.

Motion was made by Dennis, seconded by David Koonce, and unanimously voted to adjourn at 10:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Hoff Stuart.

Hoff Stuart 1 May 2013
Approved Date