



SUDBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES

Monday, April 6, 2015

6:45 pm, DPW Facility 275 Old Lancaster Rd., Sudbury MA

Present: Beth Armstrong (acting chair), Mark Sevier, Robert Elkind, Bruce Porter, and Dave Henkels
Linda Hansen - agent

Minutes – March 23, 2015 – Rob Elkind made a motion, Mark Sevier seconded, and approved by all present (3-0) (Bruce Porter and Dave Henkels abstained) to approve the minutes as written.

WPA & Bylaw NOI: 49 Briant Drive, 301-1147. Present at the hearing Dan Delaney (applicant), Nicolas and Suzanne Malone (home owner), and Doug Tucker (landscaper). Mr. Delaney presented a plan that showed the new limit of lawn and indicated that four boulders would be placed where the iron rods were shown on the plan. The grass would be replaced with a conservation seed mix. The homeowners plan to start the landscaping during the last week of April. Rob Elkind made the motion, Mark Sevier seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to close the hearing. Rob Elkind made a motion, Bruce Porter seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to issue the OOC.

SVT-RDA: Biocontrol of Purple Loosestrife. Present at the hearing Jesse Koyen from SVT. In coordination with SuAsCo CISMA group, SVT is raising beetles for the control of purple loosestrife. They plan to collect 100 purple loosestrife plants from two wetland areas to raise beetles. The mature beetles will be released along the Sudbury River, an exact location will later be determined by the CISMA organization. The lifespan of these beetles is dependent on the presence of natural predators. Purple loosestrife is the only plant that the beetle can complete their breeding cycle. Bruce Porter made a motion, Rob Elkind seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to issue a negative determination #3. Rob Elkind made a motion, Mark Sevier seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to close the hearing.

Davis Field NOI

The NOI was not complete, so the consultant will need to submit additional information to the Commission. Rob Elkind made a motion to hire a peer review for the Stormwater, Bruce Porter seconded, and approved by all present. Rob Elkind made a motion, Bruce Porter seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to continue the hearing until April 27 at 6:45. Note: this time may be adjusted based on schedule.

Johnson Farm. Jody Kablack presented the plan for the Johnson Farm. Jody is working with SVT to draft a CR and the proposed uses and linking this project with the adjacent SVT property (Cutler). Trail layout and design to link the two properties will require at least one stream/wetland crossing. The location and the number of trails will need to be decided by the Commission. SVT has agreed to construct the

trails. DPW has agreed to construct the parking lot. Signage and a kiosk will be installed. Donations and possible grant funds will be used for the initial design costs and some funds will be maintained in an endowment. Two large farm fields are included in this property and the use of these fields will need to be determined. Currently, there is limited access to Johnson Farm and only on-street parking.

Open Space and Recreation Plan. Jim Kupfer provided the Commission with a tentative timeline for the process of preparing an update to the 2009 Open Space and Recreation Plan. Jim Kupfer is asking the Commission to play an advisory role. The first item is to finalize a citizen's survey to distribute by Town Meeting. The second milestone will be in September after the survey results have been compiled and a draft five year action plan is available for review. The Commission agreed to act in an advisory role and to review the draft document.

Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Notice of Intent, DEP file number 301-1153

Jody Kablack and Jim Kupfer presented. VHB plans to complete the wetland flagging in the next ten days. Once the flagging is complete, then the Commission will make a site visit to review the wetland delineation and to evaluate the other resources within the rail corridor. Rob Elkind made a motion, Bruce Porter seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to close the hearing. Rob Elkind made a motion, Bruce Porter seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to issue the OOC prepared by Debbie Dineen.

24 Run Brook, DEP file number 301-1157

Mark Sevier made a motion, Dave Henkels seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to continue the hearing until April 27 at 6:45. Note: this time may be adjusted based on schedule.

4 & 5 Fairbank Road, DEP file number 301-1149

Rob Elkind made a motion, Dave Sevier seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to continue the hearing until April 27 at 6:45. Note: this time may be adjusted based on schedule.

Orchard Hill- DEP 301-556 - COC request

Bill Place reviewed the changes to the stormwater management design and approved the modifications. Dave Henkels made a motion, Rob Elkind seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to issue a COC.

The Commission re-issued copies of the following:

Order of Conditions: 87 Cudworth Lane
Certificate of Compliance: 88 Butler Rd.

Meeting adjourned: 8:13