

**Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
March 8, 2011**

The Conservation Commission held a meeting on March 8, 2011 in the Lakeville Town Office Building. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Orrall at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Joseph Chamberlain, Linda Grubb, Emery Orrall, Pam Rasa and Martha Schroeder. Tara Martin, Conservation Agent and Jennifer Jewell, recording secretary were also present. Bob Bouchard was absent with prior notice.

7:03 P.M. – 6 Lakeside Avenue

Kenn

Chairman Orrall read the legal notice. Todd Kenn, from Kenn Brothers Construction, presented a Notice of Intent for the construction of a garage. The applicant did not notify the abutters. Ms. Martin stated that the wetland line was delineated in 2001 and she will visit the site for verification when it has been reflagged in the field. The Commission requested that the amount of impervious coverage and locus be added to the plans. The hearing for this filing will take place on April 12, 2011.

7:10 P.M. – 220 Bedford Street

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Chairman Orrall read the legal notice. Jon Pink, from AZOR Land Sciences, presented a Notice of Intent for the demolition of an existing dwelling and the construction of a new dwelling and installation of associated septic system. Ms. Martin noted apparent discrepancies with the wetland line and requested a site visit. Soil testing was discussed. Upon motion made by Member Rasa and seconded by Member Chamberlain the Commission

VOTED: To continue the hearing to April 12, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. Unanimous vote.

7:15 P.M. – 16 Beechtree

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Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Schroeder the Commission

VOTED: To continue the hearing to April 12, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. Unanimous vote.

7:16 P.M. – 5 Harding Street

High Rock Harding

Upon motion made by Member Rasa and seconded by Member Schroeder the Commission

VOTED: To continue the hearing to April 12, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. Unanimous vote.

Other Business

Harding Street

There was a review of a letter from the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife (DFW) dated 2/28/11. It was noted that portions of the project must be redesigned due to the findings of the DFW as it was established as a cold water habitat. It was noted that this project must undergo a Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) review.

Bedford Street/Bartlett Property

There was a review of a letter being sent to the Planning Board regarding the re-zoning of the Bartlett Property on Bedford Street.

Treasurer's Report

Member Grubb will record income and expenditures for the Commission. Expense approval procedures were reviewed.

Building Department Sign-Off

The Commission is not receiving sign-off sheets for Building Department applications. Ms. Martin will talk to Bob Iafrate, Building Inspector, regarding the filing procedures for the town and the impact of filings on the Commission's income.

Anniversary Celebration

The 50th Anniversary of the Conservation Commission Act will be celebrated in 2012. Upon motion made by Member Grubb and seconded by Member Chamberlain the Commission

VOTED: To form a sub-committee to plan a celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Conservation Commission Act. Unanimous vote.

The first meeting of the sub-committee will be held on Thursday, April 7th. Sarah Kulakovich was present for discussion and mentioned different brainstorming ideas.

8:00 P.M. – Mass Coastal Right of Way

Mass Coastal Railroad

Chairman Orrall read the legal notice. Kyle Fair, from TEC Associates, presented a Request for Determination of Applicability to determine whether the boundaries of the resource areas depicted on the plans are accurately delineated. There was a review of the maps submitted with the filing. Mr. Fair will verify the locations wells adjacent to the property. It was stated that the agent must do a site visit to verify the wetland line. Priscilla Chapman, from Mass Audubon, requested to be present at the site visit if possible. There was discussion regarding access to the rail line and there was question as to whether the site would be accessible by foot. It was noted that the Commission will require a copy of the applicator's license prior to issuing a determination. Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Schroeder the Commission

VOTED: To continue the hearing to April 12, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. Unanimous vote.

Administration

It was recommended that the Commission's website include links to related organizations such as Division of Fisheries and Wildlife and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation. There was question as to whether it would be possible to eliminate the need to advertise hearings in the newspaper if another form of advertising was used. There was discussion regarding the addition of a calendar of events to the Commission's website.

Green Committee Report

The Green Committee has proposed by-laws for an upcoming town meeting that will govern the installation of wind and solar panels. There was question as to whether notification to Natural Heritage would be required if a large portion of upland was slated for clearing.

Taunton River Watershed Alliance (TRWA)

The TRWA will be holding an upcoming meeting in Lakeville. There was question as to the cost of membership to belong to this group.

Camera Purchase

The Commission okayed the purchase of a camera to replace one that was stolen from the agent's vehicle.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Lakeville Conservation Commission will be held on April 12, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room at the Lakeville Town Office Building. Upon motion made by Member Schroeder and seconded by Member Rasa the Commission

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. Unanimous vote.