

**Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2012**

The Conservation Commission held a meeting on November 13, 2012 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, Martha Schroeder and Ryan Trahan. Sarah Kulakovich, associate member; Nancy Yeatts, Interim Conservation Agent; and Jennifer Jewell, recording secretary were also present. Robert Bouchard was absent with prior notice.

7:00 p.m. – 20, 22, 24 Shore Avenue

Vermette

Jon Pink was present for the discussion. The impacts of past flooding on the property were discussed. A letter from Walter Hewitson appraising the wetland delineation and various maps showing flood zones and filled areas were reviewed. It was noted that there has been illegal filling on this lot in the past and that the lot is designated by the Federal Emergency Management Association as being a high risk location for flooding. Mr. Pink discussed site contours and noted that the property is outside of the 100' flood elevation. It was noted that the cesspool is currently in the water table. It was noted that this proposal has not been reviewed by the Board of Health and previous attempts to convert this dwelling to a year round residence have been denied by the Board. Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Schroeder the Commission

VOTED: To close the hearing and issue a denial noting that excessive occupation of the area is and will negatively impact the resource area. Unanimous vote.

186 Main Street

Ms. Yeatts noted that the brush was still piled on site. The applicant will forward photos of the trees and saplings that were planted.

9 Village Road

The Commission received a Request for a Certificate of Compliance. Ms. Yeatts reviewed the site visit and recommended approval. Upon motion made by Member Schroeder and seconded by Member Rasa the Commission

VOTED: To issue the Certificate of Compliance for 9 Village Road. Unanimous vote.

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There was a review of the minutes from August 14, 2012. Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Rasa the Commission

VOTED: To approve the minutes for August 14, 2012 as amended. Unanimous vote.

Capital Plan

Member Grubb suggested that the Commission identify possible capital projects for the next five years. Commissioners mentioned renovations to the Boy Scout Building, stream identification and designation of the Cedar Swamp as an Area of Critical Environmental Concern as optional expenditures.

There was discussion regarding the storm water outfall mapping. Member Trahan noted that currently it is only done in urbanized areas. There was question as to whether this information would be part of the flood

mitigation plan. It was suggested that a Commissioner or the Agent discuss this further with Christopher Peck, Highway Superintendent.

SWMI Letter

There was a review of a letter for the Sustainable Water Management Initiative. It was stated that this letter supports Dr. Neil Fennessy's plan to take all stakeholders into account during the study of the Assawompset Pond Complex. Ms. Yeatts circulated copies of the letter for the Commissioners to sign.

Site Visit Protocol

There was a review of a memo from Chairman Orrall. It was noted that there was to be no discussion or deliberation at site visits. The Conservation Agent will represent the Commission. Ms. Yeatts suggested a written permission form be drafted by the Commission which would be filed by each new applicant beginning in 2013. There was question as to whether the Commissioners should have identification while visiting sites. Placards with the town seal and individual ID cards were mentioned.

Conservation Agent Hours

There was discussion regarding the amount of hours Ms. Yeatts will be working for the Commission and the Planning Board. The importance of flexibility was noted, especially as it pertains to site visits. Ms. Yeatts has her field notes and office updates available in a notebook that is kept on her desk.

Treasurer's Report

There was a review of a mileage reimbursement submitted by Member Rasa for travel to the MACC Conference. Upon motion made by Member Grubb and seconded by Member Trahan the Commission

VOTED: To approve the submitted mileage request. Unanimous vote.

The FY2014 budget was briefly discussed.

Soils Training

Member Trahan agreed to hold an informal soils training. The Commissioners will meet on Saturday, December 1st at 9 a.m. on Crooked Lane.

Upcoming Meeting

The next meeting of the Lakeville Conservation Commission will be held on Tuesday, December 11, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Lakeville Town Office Building. Upon motion made by Member Rasa and seconded by Member Schroeder the Commission

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m. Unanimous vote.