

**Conservation Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
October 23, 2012**

The Conservation Commission held a meeting on October 23, 2012 in the Lakeville Town Office Building. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Orrall at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Robert Bouchard, Joseph Chamberlain, Linda Grubb, Emery Orrall, Pam Rasa, Martha Schroeder and Ryan Trahan. Sarah Kulakovich, associate member and Nancy Yeatts, Interim Conservation Agent were also present.

**7:00 p.m. – 3 Cranberry Lane**

**Kendall**

Chairman Orrall read the legal notice. Dave Klenert, from Collins Engineering presented a Notice of Intent for a residential septic system repair and garage addition. There was a review of the plans. This plan has been approved by the Board of Health. It was noted that the septic location was dictated by lot constraints and that the soil absorption system is located outside the 50' buffer zone. There was a review of site photos and the locations for erosion control barriers were discussed. The area is wooded and the applicant will not be required to replant trees, the plans were revised at the meeting to reflect that change. The garage will be constructed on the existing driveway, which will be repaved. As the septic system was in failure the Commission stressed the need to advise the applicant about the importance of pumping and maintenance. Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Rasa the Commission

VOTED: To close the hearing and issue an Order of Conditions, approving the revised plan dated October 23, 2012, with the following special conditions: Standard Special Conditions.  
Unanimous vote.

**7:12 p.m. - 20, 22, 24 Shore Avenue**

**Vermette**

Ms. Yeatts read an email requesting a continuance. Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Schroeder the Commission

VOTED: To continue the hearing to November 13, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the request of the applicant.  
Unanimous vote.

**7:13 p.m. – 404 Bedford Street**

**McGonigle**

Chairman Orrall read the legal notice. Scott Goddard presented a Notice of Intent for the installation of a septic system with associated grading. There was a review of the plans. The plan has not been approved by the Board of Health. It was stated that 90% of the proposed system will be installed on existing lawn. The existing septic system will be abandoned. The wetland line was reviewed. It was decided that two trees would be removed and the plans were revised to show the change. Upon motion made by Member Schroeder and seconded by Member Bouchard the Commission

VOTED: To close the hearing and issue an Order of Conditions, approving the revised plan dated October 23, 2012, with the following special conditions: Standard Special Conditions.  
Unanimous vote.

**7:22 p.m. – 338, 340, 344 Bedford Street**

**Savas**

Chairman Orrall read the legal notice. Scott Goddard presented an Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation. Revised plans, dated October 17, 2012 were submitted to the Commission. Upon motion made by Member Schroeder and seconded by Member Bouchard the Commission

VOTED: To review the plan, waiving the required ten-day submittal deadline. 6 in favor. Member Grubb opposed. Motion carried.

There was a review of the revised plans. Mr. Goddard noted that the wetland line was adjusted after a site visit onto the abutting property. The plans were also updated to include other offsite resource areas and habitat. Ms. Yeatts discussed the recent site visits. The methodology for determining the wetland line was reviewed. Any permitting or development will require a MESA filing. An underground storage tank was removed from the property in 1994 under a 21E permit. Member Grubb requested permission to visit the site and verify the condition of the stone bridge and check the status of invasive plants. Upon motion made by Member Rasa and seconded by Member Trahan the Commission

VOTED: To close the hearing and issue an Order of Resource Area Delineation. Unanimous vote.

**186 Main Street**

**Tsjerland**

Ms. Yeatts visited the site and noted that while the large trees have been removed, piles of brush remain onsite. The homeowner will be present at the November 13, 2012 meeting.

**1 Paradise Lane/Lewoczko Farm**

The Commission received a Request for a Certificate of Compliance. Ms. Yeatts reviewed the site visit and photos. It was noted that grass clippings had been removed from the resource area. There are temporary markers in the field to delineate the right-of-way. Member Schroeder recommended the homeowners attempt to control the invasive bittersweet on the property. Upon motion made by Member Schroeder and seconded by Member Chamberlain the Commission

VOTED: To issue a Certificate of Compliance for 1 Paradise Lane/Lewoczko Farm. Unanimous vote.

**Pickens Street/Forestry Grant**

It was stated that the approval form for Pickens Street contains an apparent error and the Howland Road property should have been referenced for approval. Member Grubb stated that if, in fact, Pickens Street is also approved the Commission must set goals for the site. A site visit was suggested.

**SRPEDD Grant Hours**

The town has received a grant for 40 hours of SRPEDD assistance. There was discussion regarding the appropriation of these hours. Chairman Orrall will draft a letter to the Board of Selectmen thanking them for the inquiry and advising them that the Commission does not intend to use any grant hours at this time.

**Treasurer's Report**

There was a review of the report. Member Grubb stated that both postage and in-state travel must be paid from the agency account. It was also noted that the clerk salary line item was insufficient. There was question as to whether the general fund could be used to pay for trainings. Member Trahan is a registered soil evaluator and offered to provide some information to the Commission. Ms. Yeatts stated that she is in need of a 100' measuring tape. Upon motion made by Member Rasa and seconded by Member Trahan the Commission

VOTED: Pending approval from the Town Administrator, the Commission will transfer the postage and travel line item in the general fund to be used for training. Unanimous vote.

### **Conservation Agent**

Member Chamberlain read the letter of recommendation that Nancy Yeatts be appointed to the position of Part-Time Conservation Agent. There was a discussion about the work schedule and hours available. John Powderly, Selectman was present for the discussion and stated that there is no position for a Town Planner at this time and that the Conservation Agent will be working a maximum of 18 hours per week. Upon motion made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Schroeder the Commission

VOTED: To appoint Nancy Yeatts to the position of Part-Time Conservation Agent for a term to expire July 31, 2013. Unanimous vote.

### **Wetland By-Law Study Committee**

There was discussion regarding the membership and attendance of the Committee. Chairman Orrall will draft a reminder to Jim Marot, Chairman of the Planning Board. Upon motion made by Member Grubb and seconded by Member Rasa the Commission

VOTED: To appoint Steven Monty to the Wetlands By-Law Study Committee. Unanimous vote.

### **WPA Regulation Changes**

There was a review of changes to the Wetlands Protection Act (WPA) regulations. It was noted that the Commission did not receive notice from DEP regarding these changes. There was discussion regarding the need for a certified abutters list and who would be responsible for confirming the distances to the proposed work. It was noted that the waiver allowing the Commission to hear a filing later than 21 days after it is submitted cannot be mandatory.

### **LakeCam – Local Access Cable**

Bob Marshall and Don Foster contacted Member Chamberlain regarding a wildlife/nature segment to air on LakeCam. It would be a video version of a photo with ambient sounds. Possible locations were discussed.

### **Open Space/Audubon**

Member Grubb provided a review of an Open Space Committee meeting where simple by-laws to protect open space were discussed. Member Schroeder stated that the Committee would be reviewing development options that would work in conjunction with the Open Space Plan.

### **Upcoming Meeting**

The next meeting of the Lakeville Conservation Commission will be held on Tuesday, November 13, 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 8:52 p.m. Unanimous vote.