



Town of Hanover Conservation Commission
Hanover Town Hall, 550 Hanover St., 2nd Floor Meeting Room
MINUTES for October 2nd, 2013

Approved 10/16/13

Commission Members and Staff present: Chairman, Lou Paradis, Vice Chair, Lisa Satterwhite, Hearing Officer, Frank Brierley, Commissioners William Woodward and Justin Shepard, Conservation Agent, Amy Walkey, Asst. Conservation Agent, Sandra MacFarlane
Those Members and Staff not present: 2 (vacant) Commissioners
Others: as listed on attached attendance sheet

6:30 PM- Chairman Paradis opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **BL 13-64, Indian Head River/Riverside Dr. Conservation Parcel-** RDA- *for const. of wood bridge, boardwalk, trail maintenance- continued from the 9/18/13 meeting.*

PRESENT: Eagle Scout Candidate Kyle Spencer Grant, Scout Master Robert Minihan, Daniel and Mrs. Grant, Hal Thomas, Co-Chair Open Space Committee

DISCUSSION: Chairman Paradis gave a brief update in regard to the 9/18/13 meeting, adding that as a result of the recent on-site inspection, the location of the stream detailed on the plan was confirmed in the field.

Abutter George Pongratz, 30 Indian Head Dr., added that after the site inspection, he now feels that the project will not negatively impact his property. He also reiterated his support and offered help to move or lift bridge sections as needed. He commended Scout Grant for his efforts. Commissioner Brierley also offered volunteer help in regard to vista pruning or similar work.

VOTE: Based on the discussion above and as per a motion and second made by Commissioners Woodward and Satterwhite, it was voted 5-0-0 to close the hearing and issue a Negative #2 and #3 Determination of Applicability with conditions as listed below:

- a. precautions shall be taken for work near or on stream banks;
- b. pruning to be done using hand tools, no uprooting of vegetation outside of trail, but can be pruned;
- c. mature tree roots within the trail layout should be left in place to avoid damage to the tree(s); soils disturbed by trail clearing, shall be re-graded;
- d. any cutting of vegetation off trail requires prior notification to Conservation Staff *prior to* conducting the work.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS & DATES TO REMEMBER: Chairman Paradis made the following announcements:

1. **October 16 and November 6, 2013 @ 6:30 PM** in 2nd Flr. Mtg Room - Town Hall
2. **Vacancies on Commission-** 2 Associate positions still open on the Commission.

III. ACTION ITEMS:

1. **Requests for Certificates of Compliance:** Commissioner Brierley recused himself from this discussion due to a work relationship with the property owner.

- a. **SE 31-1067, #176 Old Schoolhouse Ln.**

VOTE: Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners Woodward and Brierley, it was voted 4-0-0 to issue a Certificate of Compliance with Commissioner Brierley recused.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE: Commissioner Brierley returned to the meeting.

1. **Minutes-** 9/4/13 and 9/18/13-

VOTE: Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners Woodward and Brierley, it was voted 5-0-0 to approved both sets of minutes.

2. **Correspondence-** Reviewed without comment.

3. **Reports and Minor Permits:**

- a. Conservation Staff- General

- (i) The Staff reported that a recently received Notice of Intent application was being held due to missing or incomplete information and for clarification from the Planning Board regarding the building status of the lot in question.

- (ii) The Agent reported that she has been contacted by homeowner representatives regarding two projects with outstanding wetland replications. Applications are pending, one of which may be a Request for an Amended Order of Conditions.
- (iii) The Agent reported that an estimate for completing the outstanding wetland replication work at Morse Farms is forthcoming from a local landscaping company.
- (iv) The Agent reported that the Applicant for the Webster Village 40B project is close to submitting a new Notice of Intent.
- b. Open Space Committee Liaison Report and Community Preservation Committee Report: none
- c. Minor Permits/Event Cards Issued: none

7:15PM

VOTE: Upon a motion and second by Commissioners Brierley and Woodward, respectively, it was voted 5-0-0 to adjourn.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by
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