

# Town of Hanover Conservation Commission

Hanover Town Hall, 550 Hanover St.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room

## **MINUTES for JUNE 13, 2018**

**Approved 7/11/18**



Members and Staff present: Brian McLoone, Chairman; Lisa Satterwhite, Vice Chair;  
Frank Brierley, Hearing Officer; Members Robert Sennett and James Vaille;  
Sandra MacFarlane, Conservation Agent

Members not present: Otis Magoun, Associate Member

Others present: as per Sign-In sheet

**6:30 PM**- Chair McLoone opened the meeting and made the following announcements:

### I. ANNOUNCEMENTS & DATES TO REMEMBER:

1. Summer Meeting Schedule- Next meetings are July 18, August 15
2. One Associate Member position on the Conservation Commission is available. Volunteer applications are available at the Selectmen's Office or online at the link:  
[http://www.hanover-ma.gov/sites/hanoverma/files/file/file/fy\\_14\\_talent\\_bank\\_application.pdf](http://www.hanover-ma.gov/sites/hanoverma/files/file/file/fy_14_talent_bank_application.pdf)
3. Member or Member's designee needed as voting member on Community Preservation Comm.

### II. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Notice of Closure<sup>1</sup>- (*Commission Member Brierley recused himself from this item.*)
  - a. **Fireworks Site**- Closure of Factory Pond and surrounding waterways  
Chairman McLoone explained that due to the finding of additional munitions within the pond, the pond was closed to the public by the Town Manager for safety reasons. The Conservation Agent added that the Board of Selectmen requires a confirmatory vote from the Conservation Commission to close the pond as the property is under their jurisdiction.

**VOTE: Upon a motion and second made by Members Satterwhite and Vaille, it was voted 4-0-0 to close to the public a waterbody known as Factory Pond for safety reasons in addition to the already closed and secured area in Hanover known as the "Fireworks Site" as shown on parcels of land designated as Assessor's parcel 02 on Assessor's Map 59, Assessor's parcels 02 and 27 on Assessor's Map 67, Assessor's parcels 04, 45, 50, 54, 55, and 68 on Assessor's Map 68, and Assessor's parcel 02, and 03 on Assessor's Map 81 (collectively, the "Property") which are part of or abut the Fireworks Site.**

After reviewing a copy of a 6/13/18 letter to the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager from Member Frank Brierley regarding the finding and inappropriate handling of a possibly hazardous item in Factory Pond, the Commission accepted Mr. Brierley's explanation and the immediate delivery of said item to Tetra Tech personnel, resulting in the following vote:

**VOTE: Upon a motion and second made by Members Sennett and Satterwhite, it was voted 3-0-1 (Chairman McLoone abstained) to send a letter of support to the Town Manager for Member Brierley to continue on the board.**

(*Member Brierley returned to the meeting.*)

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<sup>1</sup> Revised to add items under II.1.- a. & b. and III.- DEP File #

b. **Board of Selectmen Meeting-** Attendance at Monday, June 18<sup>2</sup>

The Conservation Agent explained that through the Town Manager, the attendance of the Conservation Commission and Open Space Committee was requested at their next meeting. Members McLoone, Satterwhite and Sennett noted availability to attend.

2. Certificates of Compliance

a. **BL 17-79, SE 31-1166, 1045 Webster St.**

Upon a motion and second made by Members Sennett and Satterwhite, it was voted 5-0-0 to issue the Certificate of Compliance.

III. PUBLIC HEARING:

1. **BL 18-42, SE 31-1178, 48 Stone Meadow Ln.,** - NOI- *for inground pool, patio, drywell+ in BZ to BVW*

PRESENT: Joshua Green, PE and Deborah Keller, PE, Merrill Engineers and Land Surveyors, Inc., Applicant's Representatives

DISCUSSION: Mr. Green presented a plan dated 5/14/18 showing the proposed installation of an inground swimming pool, patio surround, drywell, pool utilities and associated site work 35 ft. from an on-site Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW) with erosion control materials and limit of work proposed at 26 ft. from the BVW. He explained that a pool had been approved by the Commission in 2003 under an Order of Conditions SE 31-779 during a deck, landscaping, and pool project, but that the pool was not installed. The Agent confirmed that a 2004 Certificate of Compliance was issued for the deck and landscaping installation without the installation of a pool. Ms. Keller noted existing conservation posts and a fence installed under the previous permit as well.

VOTE: Upon a motion and second made by Members Vaille and Satterwhite, it was voted 5-0-0 to close the hearing.

Upon a motion and second made by Members Brierley and Sennett, it was voted 5-0-0 to issue a standard Order of Conditions with pool conditions.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE:

1. Chairman's Report as Liaison to the Board of Selectmen- *if applicable-* N/A

2. Agent's Report -

✚ Reminder of the Security Protocols at the Fireworks Site- Entry to the Fireworks Site remains on an as needed-by appointment only status with approval by Peter Dillon, Tetra Tech Site Manager.

✚ Fireworks Site Update- A 5/16/18 update was received from Tetra-Tech, Inc. which outlined the work proposed in the wetland area off the King St. trail (near the walking bridge) to remove several 90" long x 63" wide x ¾" thick metal plates, railroad ties, and concrete blocks- the remainder of an old target area. As per the project manager, Peter Dillon, munitions were found under the first plate. As of 6/13/18, all items have been safely and successfully removed from the wetland. As per my site inspection to this area, the area is healthy enough to re-naturalize and does not require additional plantings. On 6/7/18 a resident reported that a potentially hazardous item was pulled from the pond and upon my direction relinquished the item to Tetra Tech personnel at the site. On 6/13/18 entry onto Factory Pond and related areas of the waterbody were officially closed to the public for safety reasons as per the Town Manager. The Fire Chief is in the process of ordering appropriate signage, buoys, and other means to cordon off the water body. Confirmation of the pond closing for safety reasons has been added to a revised 6/13/18 ConsComm agenda.

✚ 1877 Washington St.- Prime Mercedes- A meeting was held with John Molloy, Molloy Landscaping, regarding the five (5) bio-retention areas on this site and the O & M Plan schedule of maintenance. A recent site inspection confirmed that all catch basins and the detention basin are functioning as designed. Upgrades to the plantings, as per the approved plan of record are planned by Mr. Molloy. A site inspection will be conducted post-planting activities.

✚ 283 Columbia Rd.- Prevites Retail Complex- The Determination of Applicability was issued and work is scheduled to commence by mid-July.

✚ 334 King St.- This parcel is under consideration for use as a staging area related to continuing work at the Fireworks Site.

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<sup>2</sup> Time - to be announced

- ✚ Merchant's Row- Cleanup from the demo work continues with all debris and other stockpiles located on upland areas of the Webster St. parking lot area. Work within the BVW buffer is minor at this time. Work to expand the detention basin is pending next month. On 6/12/18 a routine inspection found piles of debris located within the 35 no-touch setback from the BVW. Notice was sent to Merrill Engineers to rectify the situation.
- ✚ 242 Whiting St.- The Request for COC, on hold since 2012 for lack of compliance, has been withdrawn at this time. A new Request with updated information regarding the opening of the public access right-of-way on this lot to the Rinnear Conservation parcel is pending for the July meeting.
- ✚ Wood Hollow Subdivision- At the request of the Acting Planner, a site inspection was conducted on 6/12/18 to review stormwater structures within the subdivision regarding a partial release of performance escrow funds held with the Planning Dept. Conservation Commission Member Vaille was present at the inspection. A meeting with the Acting Planner is pending on this issue.
- ✚ 52 Brook Circle- A site inspection was conducted at this site pending submission of a an RDA.
- ✚ Apiary Program- DEP's Apiary program continues to successfully aid home-based bee keepers. Signs for *No-Spray Areas* were designed by the Agent and are now available in the Cons. Office.
- ✚ Admin Misc.: Fiscal Year-end invoices/reimbursements are due to be submitted prior to June 30<sup>th</sup>.

3. Minutes- 5/16/18

Upon a motion and second made by Members Brierley and Sennett, it was voted 5-0-0 to approve the minutes.

4. Minor Activities Permits/Events/Other- Reviewed.

- a. BL 18-20, Luddams Ford Park- *Space Night Telescope event*
- b. BL 18-21, Luddams Ford Park- *for Boy Scout Troop 38 BBQ event*
- c. BL 18-32, 603 Old Town Way- *for hazardous tree removal in BZ to BVW*
- d. BL 18-33 thru 18-41, Clark Bog Firing Range- *for scheduled training events*
- e. BL 18-43, 15 Old Barn Rd- *for hazardous tree removal in BZ to BVW*
- f. BL 18-44, Bates Way- *for complaint of dumping in wetlands*
- g. BL 18-45, Clark Bog Firing Range- *for scheduled training event*
- h. BL 18-46, 1877 Washington St- *for stormwater/wetland/O & M review*
- i. BL 18-47, 385 Whiting St- *for hazardous tree removal in BZ to BVW*
- j. BL 18-48, 114 Spring St- *for proposed addition review*
- k. BL 18-49, Luddams Ford Park- *for Cub Scout BBQ event*
- l. BL 18-50, 607 Broadway- *for removal of hazardous trees in BZ to BVW*
- m. BL 18-52, 64 Lincoln Ln- *for removal of hazardous trees in BZ to BVW*
- n. BL 18-53, Clark Bog Firing Range- *for scheduled training event*

5. Correspondence- Reviewed.

6. Other- *Those items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair within 48 hours of the meeting-* None.

**7:15 PM**- Upon a motion and second made by Members Satterwhite and Brierley, it was voted 5-0-0 to adjourn the meeting.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by  
Sandra D. MacFarlane, Conservation Agent, DMI  
Conservation Commission Office

Documents provided at the meeting:

- 6/13/18 revised Agenda
- 6/13/18 Fireworks site letter to BOS
- COC Request packet for 1045 Webster St.
- NOI application packet for 48 Stone Meadow Ln.
- 6/13/18 Agent's Report
- Min. Acts permits et al, as listed in IV.4. above.
- 5/16/18 draft minutes