



Town of Hanover Conservation Commission
Hanover Town Hall, 550 Hanover St., 2nd Floor Meeting Room
MINUTES for APRIL 16th, 2014

Approved May 7, 2014

Those Members and Staff present:

Lou Paradis, Chairman; Lisa Satterwhite, V. Chair; Frank Brierley, Hearing Officer; Justin Shepard, Commissioner; Amy Walkey, Conservation Agent

Members and Staff not present: William Woodward, Commissioner; Sandra MacFarlane, Asst. Conservation Agent

Others Present: as per Sign-in Sheet

6:30 PM Chairman Paradis opened the meeting and made the following announcements:

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS & DATES TO REMEMBER:

1. **May 7 and 21, 2014** @ 6:30 PM in 2nd Flr. Mtg Room - Town Hall
2. **Vacancies on Commission**- 2 Associate positions-

The Agent reported that Board of Selectman's Office has received a Volunteer application for one Associate Member position.

II. PRESENTATION:

1. **Factory Pond Dam**- Victor Diniak, DPW Superintendent

Supt. Diniak presented information regarding four (4) dams located on Town property that included MA Office of Dam Safety (ODS) orders regarding safety concerns. As per the ODS, repairs are required to be completed by July 1, 2014. In particular, the Factory Pond Dam, co-owned by Hanover and Hanson, has issues with insufficient embankments, excessive vegetation growth on and near the dam, and similar structural concerns. Due to the above documents and impending deadline, a Notice of Intent will be filed as soon as possible so that the work may commence in a timely manner.

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. **BL 14-13, Main St. Gas Line Project**- RDA- *for installation of natural gas pipeline in roadway layout and w/i BZ to BVW*

PRESENT: Joshua Bowes, PE, Merrill Associates, Inc.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Bowes presented the project to replace gas lines within the roadway layout of Main St. and noted that the approximately 1000 ft. project was located between the intersections of Main St. and Buena Vista, and Main St. and Rosaria Rd. He noted that no work would be done within resource areas, that no work will take place during rain events, that all open trenched areas will be filled and closed by end of each work day, and that stockpiles will not be left on site. Further that erosion control materials are proposed on the down-gradient side of the road side to best protect the resource areas and catch basins will be protected from siltation as well. Work is scheduled for completion in approximately one week from start date.

VOTE: Based on the discussion above and upon a motion and second made by Commissioners Brierley and Shepard, it was voted 4-0-0 to close the hearing and issue a Negative #3 Determination of Applicability.

2. **BL 14-11, SE 31-1086, #2000 Washington St.**- NOI- *for upgrades to parking, utilities, stormwater management in BZ to BVW*

PRESENT: Thomas Pozerski, PE, Merrill Associates, Inc., Applicant's Representative

DISCUSSION: Mr. Pozerski presented a redevelopment project including upgrades to parking area and stormwater management improvements at Jannell Ford. He noted that approval from Planning Board and Board of Health is pending. He pointed out that no untreated stormwater would leave the site as per the proposed plan and that four (4) proposed rain gardens, removal of invasive species, and cleaning the culvert will help resolve stormwater management issues on the site. He pointed out two (2) areas on site would be designated for dewatering activities if necessary.

Abutter James Kelleher, 2048 Washington St., stated that he agreed the upgrades are necessary but is still concerned with excess flow onto his property. He requested a review of the elevations from his building location to the parking area at Jannell. Oversight of the plans by Mr. Gregory Tansey, PE, Ross Engineering, was also requested.

VOTE: Based on the discussion above and upon a motion and second made by Commissioners Brierley and Shepard, it was voted 4-0-0 to continue the hearing to May 7, 2014 at 7 PM.

3. **BL 14-04, SE 31-1085, #775 Washington St.- NOI-** *see applicants notice to continue to May 21, 2014*

PRESENT: none

VOTE: Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners Brierley and Shepard, it was voted 4-0-0 to continue the hearing to May 7, 2014 at 7 PM.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

1. **Minutes-** 4/02/14

VOTE: Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners Brierley and Satterwhite, it was voted 4-0-0 to approve the minutes.

2. **Correspondence- Reports and Minor Permits:**

a. Conservation Staff- General and Ongoing Enforcement Issues

(i) **BL 14-14, 1504 Hanover St.-** The Agent updated the Commission on the progress of the wetland replication at this property noting continued cooperation from the property owners.

b. Open Space Committee Liaison Report and Community Preservation Committee Report- none

c. Minor Permits/Event Cards Issued: The Agent reported that the following permits were issued from the Conservation Office:

(i) **BL 14-12, Luddams Ford Park-** Event Permit- *for Girl Scout Event*

(ii) **BL 14-15, #131 Pleasant St.-** Minor Activities Permit- *for removal of invasive species and debris in BZ to BVW*

3. **Other:** *Those items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair within 48 hours of the meeting.- none*

8:20 PM- Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners Brierley and Shepard, it was voted 4-0-0 to adjourn the meeting.

Minutes prepared from notes provided by the Conservation Agent and Hearing Officer, Frank Brierley, Respectfully Submitted by
Sandra D. MacFarlane, DMI, Asst. Conservation Agent
Conservation Office

Documents reviewed at meeting:

- 4/16/14 Agenda
- Main St. Gas Line Project RDA application packet
- 2000 Washington St. NOI application packet
- BL 14-12, Event permit and application form for Luddams Ford Park event
- BL 14-15, Minor Activities Permit and application form for 131 Pleasant St.
- Draft Minutes- 4/02/14