

Conservation Commission –June 24, 2017

Members present were Mr. Ned Wilson, Mr. Freddy Friedman & Dr. Schreiber by phone. A motion was made, seconded and so voted to allow Dr. Schreiber to be on conference call.

Meeting was called to order at 10:01 AM.

Meeting minutes of May 27th 2017 were accepted as amended.

RDA – Sisson – 191 MR Gt. Barrington Rd. No representative was present for site visit attended the meeting.

Umpachene Park Commission: Mr. Robert Twing, member of the Park's Commission requested to continue this hearing until next month's meeting. A motion was made, seconded and so voted to approve the request to continue this hearing to the next meeting.

RDA MA Electric Hearing: Present for this hearing was Mr. Steve Ecrement, Tighe & Bond. Property location is Steepletop Rd/Route 57. Applicant submitted a RDA for the purpose of installing two new poles and a pad-mounted transformer along Steepletop Road and install underground conduit within the paved Steepletop roadway. A site visit was completed prior to the meeting. The commission mentioned that there are no issues noticed from the site visit. After a brief discussion a motion was made, seconded and so voted to close this hearing. A motion was made, seconded and so voted to approve this application as a negative #3 determination.

RDA MA Electric Hearing: Present for this hearing was Mr. Steve Ecrement, Tighe & Bond. Property location is Deerwood Park Rd. Applicant submitted a RDA for the purpose of removing two existing utility poles within an existing ROW on private property, install six new poles, and perform selective tree cutting. A site visit was completed prior to the meeting and no issues were seen. After a brief discussion a motion was made, seconded and so voted to close this hearing. A motion was made, seconded and so voted to approve this application as a negative #3 determination.

New Business:

Mr. Jim Brehm appeared before the commission regarding his property on Hadsell Street. A NOI was filed in 2014 and an order of conditions completed in early 2015. Mr. Brehm would like to amend the order of conditions since the house will be smaller and no guest house or garage will be built. Mr. Brehm also mentioned that his amendment location is better protection for the land, less of a foot print and on higher ground. The commission reviewed the comments from DEP from original filing. After discussion an amended order of conditions was completed with the following special conditions: 1. complete planting list to be provided prior to start of construction, per DEP comments, 2. Limits of work to be staked out and

reviewed prior to commencement of clearing, and 3. Amended on 6/24/17 reduce scope of work to remove guest house and garage and scale back size of house. Move location of house. Mr. David Madow appeared before the commission to discuss a filing for 122 Clayton Mill River Rd. The commission mentioned to Mr. Madow that they told the previous owners that any other work would require a NOI to be filed. Mr. Madow will work on completing a NOI for the new owners.

Mr. Jim Kelly appeared before the commission to follow up per one of the conditions of the RDA which was filed back in the fall of 2016 for property location of 204 Norfolk Rd. Filing was for the purpose of removal of phragmites using the bentich barrier method. Mr. Kelly stated that the treatment worked in some spots other spots it didn't work, and some spots he redid. Mr. Kelly mentioned that the mat covering is not working for this location. After discussion it was decide to wait till after July and see what happens.

Old Business:

Commission completed site visit with Ms. Boomsma, White Engineering Inc for Panitch property location Hartsville New Marlborough Rd. It was noted from site visit that work is done, but board isn't in yet, and gravel is all removed, some new tree samplings were planted and area will be monitored for two years.

The Commission reviewed mail:

- *MACC dues

- *Email from Division of Fisheries & Wildlife regarding cutting plan NM Hill LLC.

- *Certificate of Compliance from DEP for NM Hill LLC – lots 2, 3, & 4.

Next regular meeting is scheduled for Saturday, July 29th at 10:00 AM.

A huge thanks was made to Mr. Wilson for all of his service done for the commission.

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to adjourn at 10:56AM

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Chretien
Secretary