



Town of Westminster

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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~ Special Meeting ~ MINUTES MEETING April 1, 2014

**To: Selectmen
 Board of Health
 Building Commissioner
 Planning Board
 Highway Department
 Town Clerk**

Present: Chairman Dan Bartkus, Co-Vice Chair: Gary Smith, Gregg Buckman, Members:
 John Regan, Tim Sheehan, Robert Gendron, Agent Bob Maki, Secretary Susan
 Kalagher

Absent: none

Guests: Chris MacKenzie, Ryan Smith, Chuck Caron

Documents, Plans, and other Exhibits:

1. Plan – Lanes Road

Chairman Dan Bartkus called the Special Meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was not recorded.

Minutes from March 3, 2014 were approved.

Solar Project / South Ashburnham Road

Chuck Caron informally discussed a solar project associated with Chris Redkey of South Ashburnham Road. He specifically asked if the Commission would be supportive of clearing trees in a portion of a wetland that is impacting from shading. Stumps and brush would remain. Mr. Caron believed that this would cause the wetland to expand rather than become drier. A maintenance condition could be included in the Order of Conditions.

Muddy Pond – Cutting Plan

Chuck Caron will work on a cutting plan for the Muddy Pond area.

**NOI Continuation
Lanes Road
Smith**

7:15 p.m. The continuation of the public hearing for Lanes Road was opened. Ryan Smith and Chris Mackenzie of Whitman & Bingham Associates were present. Gary Smith abstained and left the meeting. Chris MacKenzie gave the overview of the revised plan, discussed the drainage swale and included calculations for the 100 year storm. After review, the Commission unanimously voted in favor of approving the plan. The public hearing was closed at 7:25 p.m.

Gary Smith returned to the meeting.

The meeting scheduled for April 9, 2014 will be canceled as there had been no hearings scheduled for this date.

The Commission will change the hearings days to Thursday through the summer.

7:30 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Bartkus
Chairman
(prepared by Susan Kalagher)