



Town of Westminster

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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MINUTES MEETING August 28, 2013

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

Present: Chairman Dan Bartkus, Co-Vice Chairs: Gary Smith, Gregg Buckman, Members: Robert Gendron, Secretary Susan Kalagher

Absent: Tim Sheehan, John Regan

Guests: Tim Beauchemin, Jamie Rheault, Jason Mackie, Dennis Jenks, Charles Caron, Bob Francis

Documents and other Exhibits:

1. Plan – 32 Honeybee Lane
2. Plan – 41 East Road
3. Plan – 19 Parkwood Lane
4. Photos – 32 Edro Isle Road
5. Plan – Lot 4 South Ashburnham Road

Dan Bartkus opened the Meeting at 7:04 p.m. The meeting was not recorded.

Conservation Agent's Report

Bob Maki reported on several Notices of Intent that he expected would be filled in the near future. National Grid is exempt from filing when making repairs on transmission lines. The owners of 1 Virginia Avenue plan to wait for the scheduled drawdown of the pond in October to do a perk test, but the Board of Health will allow a perk test on an Enforcement Order.

Minutes and Vouchers

The following minutes were approved and signed.

- July 17, 2013

The following voucher was approved and signed.

- MACC \$252.00

Mail was read and distributed.

NOI
32 Honeybee Lane
Refrigeri

7:15 p.m. The public hearing for the installation of new leaching trenches, d-box, pump chamber, and well at 32 Honeybee Lane was opened. Tim Beauchemin of Beauchemin Engineering submitted proof of abutter notification and gave the overview of the project. After review, upon motion by Gregg Buckman and second by Gary Smith, the project was unanimously approved. The public hearing was closed at 7:23 p.m.

NOI
41 East Road
Mackie

7:23 p.m. The public hearing for grading the slope, installation of 2 steps, a ramp, and an outdoor seating area at 41 East Road was opened. Jason Mackie, owner of the property, collected signatures from abutters. Mr. Mackie gave the overview of the project. The plan was unanimously approved upon motion by Gregg Buckman, with a second by Gary Smith. The public hearing was closed at 7:32 p.m.

NOI
19 Parkwood Lane
Parkwood Lane Nominee Trust

7:32 p.m. The public hearing for the excavation around the existing house for the reinforcement or replacement of the existing foundation at 19 Parkwood Lane was opened. Jamie Rheault of Whitman & Bingham gave the overview of the project and the homeowner's intention to install a concrete block foundation. Proof of abutter notification was submitted. The plan was unanimously approved upon motion and second. The public hearing was closed at 7:40 p.m.

RFD
32 Edro Isle Road
Jenks

7:40 p.m. The public meeting for the installation of an Aluminum Rollin Flo Dock and select tree cutting and stump grinding was opened. Jamie Rheault of Whitman & Bingham gave the overview of the project, including his plan to file a simplified Chapter 91 for the installation of the dock. The dock will be rolled in and out with the seasons. The Commission voted unanimously to approve upon motion by Gary Smith and second by Gregg Buckman. The public meeting was closed at 7:45 p.m.

**Amendment to Order of Conditions
Lot 4 South Ashburnham Road
Francis**

7:45 p.m. The public hearing for the amendment to the Order of Conditions # 336-0598 was opened. Proof of notification of abutters was submitted. Chuck Caron and Bob Francis were present and discussed the proposed changes to the Order of Conditions, including the change to the location of the house, septic design, driveway location, and grading. There are new regulations for the septic re-design which will be approved by the Board of Health. A motion was made by Gary Smith with a second by Gregg Buckman. The plan was unanimously approved. The public hearing was closed at 7:50 p.m.

Certificate of Compliance

The Commission unanimously voted to approve the Certificate of Compliance for 31 Kent Road.

Emergency Certification

Bob Maki issued an Emergency Certification Form to Mass Highway to allow road re-surfacing because of dangerous road surface on Route 2A adjacent to Round Meadow Pond and the Bread of Life Church. The Certification Form was signed by the Commission.

Engman Conservation Restriction – Bragg Hill Road

Gregg Buckman made a site visit to the Engman property with representatives from the state. He reported that the visit was positive and the outlook for the purchase of the property was moving forward.

Changes to Conservation Calendar

Robert Gendron advised the Commission that he will not be available for Wednesday meeting this fall because of a conflict with his classes at WPI. Dan Bartkus also noted that he may have a conflict with some of the dates scheduled for the fall. The next four meetings will be changed to Tuesday nights, September 17, October 8, October 29, and November 19, 2013.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Bartkus
Chairman
(prepared by Susan Kalagher)