



Town of Westminster

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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MINUTES MEETING December 10, 2013

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

Present: Co-Vice Chairs: Gary Smith, Gregg Buckman, Members: Robert Gendron, John Regan, Agent Bob Maki, Secretary Susan Kalagher

Absent: Dan Bartkus, Robert Gendron

Guests: Jen Roberts, Mark Popham

Documents and other Exhibits:

1. Plan – 15 Laurie Lane
2. Photos – 61 Newcomb Road
3. Document - Engman Conservation Restriction/ Office of Environmental Affairs

Gary Smith opened the Meeting at 7:17 p.m. The meeting was not recorded.

Chris MacKenzie of Whitman and Bingham Assoc. requested a continuance for Tommy Francis Road to the next meeting – January 15, 2014.

NOI Continuation 15 Laurie Lane Roberts

7:18 pm. The public hearing for the continuation of 15 Laurie Lane was opened. The public hearing was first scheduled for October 15, 2013 for the installation of a dock. The hearing was continued to afford Ms. Roberts an opportunity to obtain a Chapter 91 Permit. Bob Maki recommended approval of the plan. A motion was made by Gregg Buckman with a second by John Regan and was unanimously approved. The public hearing was closed at 7:20 pm.

Certificates of Compliance:

The following Certificate of Compliance was unanimously approved by the Commission upon recommendation of Agent Bob Maki:

5 Laurie Lane / Rocheleau / #336-0712

NOI
47 State Road West
Guislain

7:25 pm. The public hearing for 47 State Road West was continued to January 15, 2013. Mark Popham represented the applicant and did not have proof of abutter notification. Ms. Guislain hand delivered the notices and was not present to provide proof.

RFD
61 Newcomb Road
Kaiser

7:30 pm. The public meeting for a request to allow work in an old hand-dug water hole formerly used to water livestock at 61 Newcomb Road was opened. Mr. Kaiser provided photos of the area and would like to remove debris including many years of leaves and branches. Bob Maki made a site visit and considered that this was possibly a vernal pool or isolated wetland subject to flooding was being fed by a culvert from run-off from the pasture. His conditions specified that work be done by hand or using a small tractor with a rake causing the least amount of disturbance. The Commission unanimously voted to approve as a negative determination with conditions. The public hearing was closed at 7:40.

Engman Conservation Restriction

Documents from the North County Land Trust and the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs were signed by Gary Smith.

Minutes and Vouchers approved:

Minutes of November 19, 2013 were approved.

Voucher for Bob Maki – mileage \$24.86 was approved.

Mail was read and distributed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Smith
Vice Chairman
(prepared by Susan Kalagher)