

Freetown Conservation Commission
Minutes of the Monday, August 26, 2019 Meeting
Town Hall – Assonet, Mass.

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Present: Keven Desmarais, Christopher Mather, and Charles Sullivan.

Absent: Janine Robidoux and Maria Ternullo.

Call to order: Keven Desmarais called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

Hearings Continued

- A motion was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Mather, to continue at the applicant's request the continued Notice of Intent for 0 Chace Road (Gurney Farm) to Monday, October 21, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. The motion carried unanimously.
- A motion was made by Mr. Mather, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, to continue at the applicant's request the continued Notice of Intent for 25 Hemlock Point to Monday, September 9, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. The motion carried unanimously.
- A motion was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Mather, to continue at the applicant's request the continued Notice of Intent for 27 Hemlock Point to Monday, September 9, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. The motion carried unanimously.
- A motion was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Mather, to continue at the applicant's request the continued Notice of Intent for 170 South Main Street (Guimond's Farm/Algonquin Gas) to Monday, November 25, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. The motion carried unanimously.
- A motion was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Mather, to continue at the applicant's request the continued Notice of Intent for 192 Chace Road & Proprietors Way to Monday, April 27, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. The motion carried unanimously.

Request for Determination of Applicability – 78 & 80 Middleboro Road, East Freetown

Steve Chmiel was present on behalf of the applicants, the Lorangers. Mr. Desmarais recapped the history of this project going back to 2003, noting that it originated with an Enforcement Order, followed by an Order of Conditions, and that the work was never completed.

Mr. Chmiel stated there would be just under 3,000 square feet of fill still remaining that would be removed. Mr. Desmarais noted that work should be completed to any previously-issued conditions. Mr. Chmiel stated they would save and use any native plants, but were not hopeful of finding many. He estimated the work would take one to one and one-half days.

Mr. Mather asked if the contractor could provide a copy of licenses and bonding, given that the work is in the wetlands rather than near it. Mr. Chmiel felt that would not be a problem. Mr. Desmarais did not want this to become a routine request. Mr. Sullivan felt it was appropriate in this instance since the project has continued without resolution for sixteen years. Mr. Desmarais asked to have six Wetlands Buffer Zone placards posted along the wetlands line. Mr. Mather requested appropriate spill kits be on-site.

A motion was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Mather, to issue a negative determination #3 with the following conditions:

1. Any conditions on the original Order of Conditions are incorporated by reference.
2. Contractor to provide the Conservation Commission with copies of insurance and bonding prior to commencing work.
3. Spill kits adequate for the type and size of machinery to be present on-site.
4. Placards provided by the Conservation Commission to be posted conspicuously.

The motion carried unanimously.

Request for Certificate of Compliance – 60 Middleboro Road, East Freetown

Mr. Desmarais stated he had reviewed the property and found the work to be in compliance. A motion was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Mather, to issue a complete Certificate of Compliance. The motion carried unanimously.

Request for Certificate of Compliance – 1886 Single-Arch Bridge (South Bridge), Assonet

Item continued to Monday, September 23rd at Mr. Sullivan's request.

Any Other Business Properly Before the Commission

None.

Bills & Minutes

Bills paid since the previous meeting were recounted. The minutes of July 31st were received. A motion was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Desmarais, to approve the minutes as received. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business

None.

Meeting Adjourned

A motion was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Mather, to adjourn at 7:49 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

This is a True Record by me.

Attest: _____
Michael T. McCue, Senior Clerk