



Medfield Conservation Commission

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Medfield Conservation Commission PUBLIC MEETING

Zoom

Minutes of Thursday, June 16, 2022 at 7:00pm

Members Present: Chair Deborah Bero, Michael Perloff, Mary McCarthy, Bobby Kennedy

Members Absent: Cat Scott, Kirsten Poler, George Darrell

Staff Present: Sarah Raposa, Town Planner

Others Present: None

Open Meeting/Roll Call: At approximately 7:01pm, Chair Deborah Bero called the Conservation Commission meeting to order.

Announcements

- Tier 4 Water Ban Reminder – still in effect, Well 6 is still offline
- Special Town Meeting Reminder – Tuesday, June 21, 2022 at 6pm
- Agent Transition Period –Raposa and Commissioners filling in temporarily

Continued Hearings

• Request for Determination of Applicability Applicant: Dave Baker, RK Centers Project
Location: 230 Main Street. Construction of a restaurant and associated features, including utility and stormwater installations within existing pavement, building construction, dumpster location and landscaping. Filing under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and the Medfield Wetlands Bylaw. Continued from May 19 (substantive discussion) and again from June 2, 2022 (by agreement without discussion).

McCarthy made a motion to continue the hearing by agreement until July 7, 2022. Kennedy seconded. Roll call vote: McCarthy = aye, Perloff = aye, Kennedy = aye, Bero = aye. The vote: 4-0.

Minutes

• May 19, 2022 – Perloff motioned to approve the minutes from May 19, 2022 with amendments. Kennedy seconded. Roll call vote: McCarthy = aye, Perloff = aye, Kennedy = aye, Bero = aye. The vote: 4-0.

Administration

1. Commission Follow Up

- Lincoln Court COC – need to be corrected and finalized
- Wilkins Glen Neighborhood Concern – parking lot and sidewalks have been paved. Should there have been an RDA submitted? Work was probably done within the 50 foot buffer zone and definitely in the 100 foot buffer zone of wetlands. McCarthy to draft a letter.
- 48-49 Ledgeetree – COCs and Drainage Easement – attorney for 49 Ledgeetree looking for a COC that relate to an OOC from 1980. Drainage easement in Fieldstone Estates (Fieldstone and Ledgeetree), only condition was that there would be riprap placed for a

discharge point for drainage issue for a probable existing wetland or depression. Not urgent, but requires additional information at some point. Maybe look at the Road Acceptance Plan

- TARC License – sent draft of the license agreement to Mark Cerel to review as well as to TARC
- Eagle Scout Project (Bay Circuit Trail Bridge Replacement) – Bay Circuit Commission to sign off on the Eagle Scout workbook as acknowledged beneficiaries/sponsors of the work (rather than Conservation)
- Algonquin Gas Rail Trail Vegetation and Traffic – no update
- Ponds
 - Hinkley – ready, SOLitude sent information that needs to be reviewed and signed before the end of the fiscal year,
 - Danielson – no update
- Climate Change Response – form to respond to
- MSH Outstanding Concerns – Weston & Sampson’s wetland scientist is going out there this spring for monitoring report and to start to count invasive species. Once submitted, the Board needs to figure out how to maintain/eliminate them and possibly hire a consultant for assistance.
- Rocky Woods – Josh Hasenfus finished work and checking in. Board waiting until the end of the summer to see how the work has been maintained through one season
- Bridge in Millis on West St./Dover Rd. – contractor finished and left the area. There is nothing on the DEP website in Millis for that location. Follow up with Millis Conservation Commission.
- DEP Policy Guidance – application of herbicides; required to accept their paper copies
- July 21, 2022 – lunchtime zoom meeting about Conservation Commissions interactions and working with DPW’s
- Email Bero with any information of any vernal pool projects that we have had, in an effort to centralize all of the notices of intent of the wetland bylaws
- Community Gardens – received a reminder email to maintain the community gardens

2. Commission Upcoming

a. Permitting

- 10 Indian Hill Road. Request to Amend OOC. June/July – improvements within the context of the wetland protection, but no revised plan has been submitted
- 35 Vine Brook Road. Trees. Lawn Extension. RDA/NOI. June/July – possible lawn extension, need to follow up with the applicant
- 40 Nebo Street. NOI or RDA (Deck Replacement). July – no update, Bero to follow up on prior email thread
- Norfolk Hunt Club Bridge. NOI or RDA. July/August – Kennedy updated, a bridge needs to be rebuilt and maintained, has been pre-disturbed and it’s a crossing on a trail. Suggested a site visit and to start with an RDA, move to a NOI if it’s too much
- 87 Philip Street. NOI or RDA (pool). July/August – looking for OOC to put in a pool
- 12 School Street. NOI. August – no update

b. Administrative

- Expiring Terms – McCarthy and Scott
- Agent Position – part-time position, 20 hours/week, review job ad before posting
- July Hearing Dates – July 7, 2022 – Elm St., 230 Main St. and 26-30 Millbrook and

July 21, 2022

c. Other

- CRWA (Charles River Watershed Association) – would like to collaborate with Board to raise visibility for issues they are interested in (rain garden initiative in Wrentham to improve the water quality)
- NRWA (Neponset River Watershed Association) – currently have a partnership with, doing a 604B, some BMPs with Conservation and DPW. Would be helpful to have them come in
- OSRP (Open Space and Recreation Plan) - RFP for approval at July 7, 2022 meeting, the OSRP Committee, looking for a proposal, review of the elements that are required for the OSRP plus the ADA self-evaluation, and a public participation component. \$25,000 budget

3. Commission Protocols/Procedures

- Attendance Issues and Mullen Rule – four for quorum, if hearings are continued, need to attend the continued meeting(s)
- Orders of Conditions – still need to be updated
- Conflicts of Interest Agenda Format (Substantive versus Continued Without Discussion) – have Mark Cerel review at some point

At approximately 8:36pm, Kennedy motioned to adjourn the meeting. McCarthy seconded. Roll call vote: Perloff = aye, Kennedy = aye, McCarthy = aye, Bero = aye. The vote: 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Kim Chandler, Administrative Assistant