

**MINUTES
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
REMOTE PARTICIPATION
January 3, 2022**

OPENING: The regular scheduled meeting of the Conservation Commission opened at 7:00 via Zoom only. Chairman MacWilliams announced the names, time and date of the meeting, and stated that the meeting was being recorded.

ATTENDANCE

David MacWilliams, Chairman	Present
Mehmet Mizanoglu, Commissioner	Absent
Brian Drenen, Vice Chairman	Present
Brian Pranka, Commissioner	Absent
Jerry Patria, Commissioner	Present
Kevin Solek	Absent
Maryssa Cook-Obregon	Present

Acting Conservation Commission Coordinator Dennis Clark was also in attendance.

MINUTES

Vice Chairman Drenen made a motion to accept the minutes of December 20 2021.

Commissioner Patria seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows:

David MacWilliams	yes	Brian Drenen	yes
Jerry Patria	yes	Maryssa Cook-Obregon	yes

OLD BUSINESS

Conservation Commission Coordinator Chairman MacWilliams met with the Select Board, Jean Reed, and CPC, to move forward for combining the jobs for a benefited 32 hour a week job with benefits. The job description will be combined and sent to Legal Counsel.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Mr. Tom Saunders Energy Development Partners

Ms. Connie Lu, Project Engineer

Mr. Ed Avizinis, Environmental Consultant

Hudson Drive NOI DEP # 292-0396 Chairman MacWilliams opened the Public Hearing by reading the legal as posted in The Reminder Publication on 12/22/21. Mr. Saunders presented

the plans for a solar system in the south eastern corner of Hudson Drive. The applicants will also petition for a Site Plan and Storm Water approval from the Planning Board. The limit of work is 24 acres with the footprint of work for the panels, placed on pile driven supports, at about 15 acres. The facility will be connected to the Eversource distribution system. The property owner, Tilcon, has granted rights to the property for the lifetime of the facility site. In the event of decommission, the plan done in reverse of the installation. The only remaining installation would be relative to storm water fun-off with the property returning to its original state. The current access roadway will be rerouted to the north. There is a provision for the 200-river front area that has a portion of the gravel/dirt access road and the distance to Slab Brook. There will be limited debris clearing and vegetation management, and standard electrical poles installed, some of which are in the river front area to support the utility lines. Mr. Avizinis reiterated that most of the poles will be within an existing roadway. There were no comments from DEP as of this meeting. The Conservation Commissioners will schedule a site visit for 2:00 PM on January 25th. Mr. Saunders requested a continuation of the Public Hearing. Vice Chairman Drenen made a motion to continue the Public Hearing until February 7th. Commissioner Patria seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows:

David MacWilliams yes
Jerry Patria yes

Brian Drenen yes
Maryssa Cook-Obregon yes

Mr. Ryan Nelson, R Levesque & Associates

Lot # 9 Silvergrass Lane NOI DEP # 292-XXX Chairman MacWilliams opened the Public Hearing by reading the legal ad as posted in The Reminder Publication on Dec 23, 2021. Mr. Nelson presented the site plan with a portion of the proposed dwelling within the 100 foot buffer zone. The septic system will be located in the front of the dwelling and there will be some fill in the rear lot. The limit of work will not exceed the 50 foot buffer zone and monummentation will be installed. There were no comments from DEP. Acting Coordinator Clark noted that the plan was consistent with other plans presented within the subdivision. Chairman MacWilliams made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Commissioner Patria seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows:

David MacWilliams yes
Jerry Patria yes

Brian Drenen yes
Maryssa Cook-Obregon yes

Chairman MacWilliams also made a motion to accept the plan as proposed with monummentation at the 50 foot buffer zone and a \$10,000.00 bond. Commissioner Patria seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows:

David MacWilliams yes
Jerry Patria yes

Brian Drenen yes
Maryssa Cook-Obregon yes

Mr. Ryan Nelson, R. Levesque & Associates

370 North Loomis Street DEP #292-393 Chairman MacWilliams opened the continuation of the Public Hearing. A site visit was conducted on December 27th. Mr. Randy Brown, DPW, issued a letter stating that the proposal will need storm water filing approval. As of this meeting, Mr. Nelson has not received any comments from DPW relative to revisions. At the site visit, it was agreed that the Conservation Commission would need to see the bridge design. Mr. Nelson presented a diagram of the bridge including concrete footing abutments with discontinued rail cars used for the bridge which will contain a wooden decking with a gravel inlay and a solid steal plate. The Commissioners were concerned if the wooden portion of the bridge could have been

treated with materials that should not be allowed within a stream. There is also a portion of the construction within the 50-foot silt fence line that has a steep grade to the brook. Acting Coordinator requested a maintenance plan for the area to ensure there is no degrading of the buffer zone near the driveway. Mr. Nelson stated that there will be a swale directing the water away by lowering the grade. Acting Coordinator Clark requested some type of protection enhancement revision. Commissioner Cook-Obregon requested the number of trees that will be removed. Mr. Nelson defined the total area as 57,840 square feet 50,000 square feet of trees will be removed for construction. Ms. Hodges, proposed owner, consulted with an arborist to save as many trees as possible. Chairman MacWilliams asked for more information on the wood used for the bridge, the storm water plan as reviewed by DPW and a maintenance plan. Mr. Nelson requested a continuation until the next scheduled meeting. Chairman MacWilliams made a motion for a continuance. Vice Chairman Drenen seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows:

David MacWilliams yes
Jerry Patria yes

Brian Drenen yes
Maryssa Cook-Obregon yes

Mr. Ryan Nelson, R. Levesque & Associates

110, 112, 138R Hillside Road DEP # 292-0390 Chairman MacWilliams opened the continuation of the Public Hearing. Mr. Nelson updated the plan in accordance with the review from Ms. Bednaz. As of this meeting, Ms. Bednaz has not had time to review the revisions. Chairman MacWilliams made a motion for a continuance. Commissioner Patria seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows:

David MacWilliams yes
Jerry Patria yes

Brian Drenen yes
Maryssa Cook-Obregon yes

NEW BUSINESS

12 Jered Lane Partia Certificate of Compliance Acting Coordinator Clark reviewed the request and noted that the lot is in compliance with the Order of Conditions. There was not bond request. Vice Chairman Drenen made a motion to issue a partial Certificate of Compliance. Commissioner Cook-Obregon seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows:

David MacWilliams yes
Jerry Patria yes

Brian Drenen yes
Maryssa Cook-Obregon yes

Proposed Lake Closure Protocol Mr. Cheever noted that the Conservation Commission needs to approval the protocol prior to a final reviewed by the Select Board. All 2022 application for associations on Lake Congamond have been issued.

11 North Pond Erosion Control Acting Coordinator Clark stated that Wyban Construction were nominated as the monitors. Chairman MacWilliams made a motion for approval of the appointment. Commissioner Patria seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows:

David MacWilliams yes
Jerry Patria yes

Brian Drenen yes
Maryssa Cook-Obregon yes

Open Meeting Training Chairman MacWilliams noted the dates of the training.

FU 2023 Budgets Chairman MacWilliams reviewed the budget with Acting Coordinator Clark who suggested an increase in land maintenance. The amount of the replacement Coordinator will depend on the applicant.

As there was no further business to discuss, Commissioner Patria made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:04. Chairman MacWilliams seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows:

David MacWilliams yes
Jerry Patria yes

Brian Drenen yes
Maryssa Cook-Obregon yes

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Nilsson, Secretary

cc:
Select Board
Town Clerk

Dave MacWilliams, Chairman

Brian Drenen, Vice Chairman

Jerry Patria, Commissioner

Brian Pranka, Commissioner

Mehmet Mizanoglu, Commissioner

Kevin Solek, Commissioner

Maryssa Cook-Obregon, Commissioner

Date