

MINUTES
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
LAND USE MEETING ROOM
April 1, 2019

OPENING: The regular scheduled meeting of the Conservation Commission opened at 7:00 p.m. Attendance is as follows:

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| Christopher Pratt, Chairman | Present |
| Seth Kellogg, Vice, Chairman | Absent |
| Mehmet Mizanoglu, Commissioner | Absent |
| Dave MacWilliams, Commissioner | Present |
| Brian Drenen, Commissioner | Present |
| Brian Pranka, Commissioner | Present |
| Jerry Patria, Commissioner | Present |
| Dennis Clark, Coordinator | Present |

7:00 Chairman Pratt opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

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DISCUSSION/REVIEW

142 Berkshire Avenue Coordinator Clark stated that the dock has been removed within the allotted time and no fine will be issued.

61 & 63 College Highway Coordinator Clark conducted a site visit at the location. There are double silt fences with hay bales in between along with rock waddles on both sides. Test holes have been done to determine the water flow. At this time, no further action to be taken until the storm water report is available.

12 Island Pond – Karanian Coordinator Clark stated that a complaint was received from the Congamond Heights Association concerning a dock blocking their access. Mr. Karanian was not issued a renewal application for his dock. Mr. Karanian will need to provide proof that he does have deeded access to the water front before an application can be issued.

5 & 9 Lakeview Street Mr. Anthony Liquori came to the Conservation Commission office with an application for docks at both locations. 5 Lakeview Street will have 3 docks, and 9 Lakeview Street will have 2 docks each not exceeding the 600 allowable square feet. There will also be registered vessels at all

docks, some of which will pay the \$40.00 fee, but will not exceed the amount of vessels to consider the docks a marina. A letter will be issued along with the stickers specifying all the limitations relative to the application and the inclusion that no jet skis will be allowed.

12 Berkshire Avenue Coordinator Clark contacted the dock owner after receiving a complaint that the dock had not been removed and was currently submerged. The owner stated medical reasons for not being able to remove the dock. No further action will be taken if the dock is removed and the dock is compliant for safety.

440 Lake Road Coordinator Clark received a notice about a run-a-way dock in South Pond. The dock owner stated that he had a medical issue but would retrieve the dock as soon as possible. The dock is currently tied at another location and will be brought back to the shore location.

Finance Budget Hearing There were two issues that needed to be addressed after the Finance Committee budget hearings. One is the fee structure for the Conservation Commission. Research will be conducted to determine like size communities' fees for Notice of Intent and Requests for Determination. Some communities charge for an ANRDA by the foot and have a fee structure based on the applicant being residential versus commercial. The other issue was having someone pay the Town for mowing the Sofinowski Land Preserve. Currently the property is being fertilized and mowed at no charge to the Town. However, hay for sale is harvested from the fields. A letter will be issued to Mr. Fox, Select Board member, for information or suggestions on who would be willing to pay for the use of the land.

Sofinowski Land Preserve Landscaping There was only one reply to the request for a quote to landscape the welcome sign and kiosk at the preserve. Chairman Pratt made a motion to award the bid to Shea's Landscaping in the amount of \$2,400. Commissioner Pranka seconded the motion. None opposed, the motion passed unanimously.

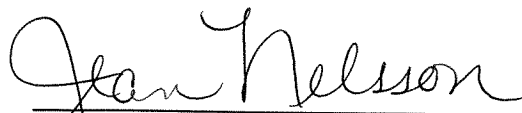
North Pond Coordinator Clark stated that he and Chairman Pratt attended a site visit with Fish & Game and the Alain Peteroy at the location of the land to be preserved.

MOU with Suffield The MOU with Suffield has been signed by the Select Board. Forms will be sent to lakefront property owners once they are approved by First Selectman Melissa Mack. As with the Southwick property owners, the Suffield property owners will be requested to fill out the simplified license form, the layout sheet, and the application.

Commissioner Pranka made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:03. Commissioner MacWilliams seconded the motion. None opposed, the motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the Conservation Commission is scheduled for May 6, 2019

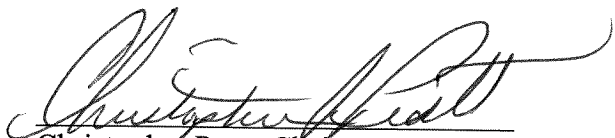
Respectfully submitted,



Jean Nilsson, Secretary

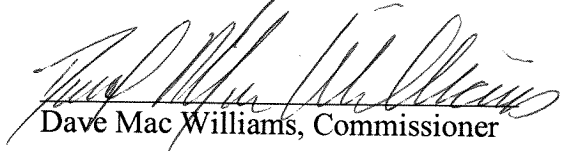
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Select Board
Town Clerk



Christopher Pratt, Chairman

Seth Kellogg, Vice Chairman

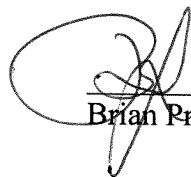


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Date

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