### Conservation Commission – Town of Spencer



#### **Minutes**

Conservation Commission Meeting Wednesday, June 27 at 7:00 PM Town Hall, McCourt Social Hall

The Meeting was opened at 7 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Margaret Emerson, Heidi Olivo, James Bouley, Charlie

Bellemer, Mary McLaughlin,

Commissioners Absent: Warren Snow

Staff present: Margaret Washburn, Jane Green

Minutes Approved: June 13, 2018

**Signed**: Negative Determination re-sign revised, 10 Lamoureaux Lane

Negative Determination, 58 Thompson Pond Road

# 7:15 p.m. Opened the Continuation of Public Meeting for Request for Determination of Applicability for Susan Swihart Property: 140 Paxton Road, Spencer MA WITHDRAWN

## 7:17 p.m. Opened the Continuation of Public Hearing for Notice of Intent for MA.Dept. of Conservation and Recreation

#### Property: 92 McCormick Road, Spencer, MA DEP #293-0922 SW Permit

Brian Miller from CDW Consultants Incorporated presented the revised plans. Matt Varrell of Lucas Environmental presented his revised report. A lengthy discussion took place. Mr. Varrell recommended trying an alternate route that will result in less tree cutting. He recommended that the applicant contact Fisheries at Fish and Wildlife and forward their response to the commission.

Mr. Varrell recommended during the work on the bank, have a person with bank stabilization experience, supervise when hand excavation is being done to make stabilization recommendations. Matt Varrell requested details regarding bank replacement vegetation. Ms. Washburn would like Brian to show spacing of the timbers in the bridge in detail.

At the request of the applicant, the hearing has been continued until July 11, 2018

### 8:30 p.m. Opened the Continuation of Public Hearing for Notice of Intent for Gerald Cestaro

#### Property: 18 Laurel Lane, Spencer, MA DEP #293-0923

At the request of the Applicant, the hearing has been continued until July 11, 2018

### 8:31 p.m. Opened the Continuation of Public Meeting for Request for Determination of Applicability for Gerald Cestaro

#### Property: 20 Laurel Lane, Spencer, MA

At the request of the Applicant, the hearing has been continued until July 11, 2018

### 8:33 p.m. Opened the Continuation of Public Hearing for Notice of Intent for Zero Point Energy Solutions Solar Farm

#### Property: East Main Street, Spencer, MA DEP#293-0925

Brian McGarry, Tom Liddy and Harold Reader presented the project.

A motion to close the public hearing (Emerson/Bouley) passed 5/0. A motion to approve plan with special conditions. (Olivo/Emerson) 5/0

### 8:47 p.m. Opened the Continuation of Public Hearing for Notice of Intent for Zero Point Energy Solutions Solar Farm

#### Property: 17 GH Wilson Road, Spencer, MA DEP #293-0926

Brian McGarry, Tom Liddy and Harold Reader presented the project. Tom Liddy agreed to conduct a vernal pool survey in the spring of 2019 and to submit documentation to the Natural Heritage & Endangered Species program.

A motion to close the public hearing (Emerson/Bouley) passed 5/0. A motion to approve plan with special conditions. (Olivo/Emerson) 5/0

## 9:19 p.m. Opened the Continuation of Public Hearing for Notice of Intent for Spencer Landfill Solar LLC

#### Property: 17 South Spencer Road, Spencer, MA DEP #2930929 SW permit

Briony Angus presented revised plans. The Conservation Commission required that a revised Notice of Intent form be submitted quantifying wetlands impacts.

At the request of the Applicant, the hearing has been continued until July 11, 2108

### 9:38 p.m. Opened the Continuation of Public Meeting for Request for Determination of Applicability for Ryan Schwartz

#### Property: 58 Thompson Pond Road, Spencer, MA

Ms. Washburn inspected and took photographs. She suggested sediment controls on the inside of the stone wall instead of the outside. Mr. Schwartz amended the plan to show the sediment controls inside the stone walls. That version of the plan was approved.

A motion to close the public hearing (Olivo/Emerson) passed 5/0. A motion to issue Negative Determination (Bouley/Bellemer 5/0

#### **Other Business:**

**66 GH Wilson Road:** Irfan Nasrullah and Scott Morrison presented a revised vista pruning protocol.

A motion to accept revision (Bouley/Emerson) 5/0.

**Holmes Street Solar farm:** The Commission reviewed a site inspection report and photographs.

**184 Greenville Street:** The Commission voted to ratify the revised Enforcement Order.

A motion to ratify Enforcement Order (Olivo/Bellemer).

**13 Debbie Drive:** Request for Certificate of Compliance. The Commission reviewed the site inspection report.

A motion to issue a Certificate of Compliance (Emerson/Bellemer).

New Applications: 7 Wilson Ave, NOI

460 Main Street, NOI 1 Lake Whittemore, NOI 3 Lake Whittemore, NOI

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 p.m. (Olivo/Emerson) passed 5/0.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jane Green, Senior Clerk

Development & Inspectional Services

#### <u>Documents reviewed at the June 27, 2018 Spencer Conservation Commission meeting:</u>

Agenda for 6/27/18
Minutes for 6/13/18
Margaret's report dated 6/27/18
Order of Conditions East Main Street
Order of Conditions 17 GH Wilson Road
Ecotec Peer Review Solar Landfill NOI
Continuance form 18 Laurel Lane (signed)
Continuance form 20 Laurel Lane (signed)
NOI Division of Fisheries & Wildlife
66 GH Wilson Vista Pruning Protocol
NOI 92 McCormick Road
NOI 17 South Spencer Road
184 Greenville Street, Enforcement Order-VOTE
13 Debbie Drive Certificate of Compliance

RDA 58 Thompson Pond Road