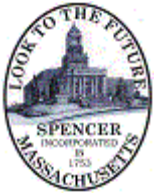


Conservation Commission – Town of Spencer

Minutes



Conservation Commission Meeting
Wednesday, November 14, 2018 at 7:00 PM
Town Hall, McCourt Social Hall

The Meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Charlie Bellemer, Mary McLaughlin, Heidi Olivo, Warren Snow

Commissioners Absent: Margaret Emerson

Staff present: Margaret Washburn, Jane Green

Minutes Approved: October 10, 2018

Signed:

7:19 p.m. Public Hearing for the Notice of Intent for Jeremy Ahearn
Property: 460 Main Street, Spencer, MA DEP # 293-0933 SW Permit

At the request of the Applicant, the hearing has been continued to January 9, 2019.

7:21 p.m. Public Hearing for the Notice of Intent for Spencer Highway Department
Property: Donnelly Cross Road Bridge over Shaw Brook, Spencer MA
DEP # 293-0942 SW Permit

At the request of the Applicant, the hearing has been continued to December 19, 2019.

7:22 Opened the Public Meeting for the Request for Determination of Applicability
for Rebecca Charlesworth
Property: 62 Borkum Road, Spencer, MA

Rebecca Charlesworth said that when they bought the house, there was a letter from the previous owner stating they had chopped down trees. Mrs. Charlesworth stated that they chopped down four trees themselves and were not aware that they needed a permit. Ms. McLaughlin read the inspection report. Warren Snow stated that there were 2 logs in the water. Mrs. Charlesworth said that the bridge was there when they moved in. The Commission recommended planting 4 native trees to replace the ones they took down. The condition would be to plant the trees by May 30, 2019. Heidi Olivo recused herself from this meeting.

A motion to close the meeting (Snow/Bellemer) 3/0

A motion to issue a negative determination (Snow/ Bellemer) 3/0

7:44 Opened the Public Hearing for the Notice of Intent for Sheila A. Doiron & Thomas W. Frazier

Property: 4 Bellevue Drive, Spencer, MA

Mary McLaughlin read the inspection report. Fred Trifone from Jalbert Engineering presented the plan. Mr. Trifone discussed the work that was to be done. There are no Conservation issues.

Lisa Barylski, an abutter, had some concerns regarding the addition. Ms. Barylski stated that there have been ongoing water problems for years at her address. There is a catch basin near the neighbor's property basin that nobody cleans. Ms. Barylski is afraid the work next door will cause more water to enter her property. The fire department has had to come out to her property to pump out all the water in her basement. Ms. Barylski stated the water is destroying her home. Ms. Barylski wants to know who she needs to go to get help with the water problem. Charlie Bellemer asked is anyone knew where the catch basin drains to. Mr. Barylski would like to see the plans where the pipes go underground. Warren Snow asked if she is part of the Lake Association, she is not. Heidi Olivo suggested having a conversation with her neighbors about cleaning out the catch basin. It is a private road so therefore it would be a Civil Matter.

A motion to close the public hearing (Olivo/Snow) 4/0

A motion to accept the plan as presented (Olivo/Bellemer) 4/0

Other Business:

64 Borkum Road: Levon Kachadoorian from Everlast Nursery attended with Pamela Simonis. Mr. Kachadorian showed the commission how far away the wells are on the plans. Warren Snow wanted to know if the manure was still near the stream. The commission was concerned that the manure would flow into the stream. Mr. Kachadoorian stated that it is beautiful soil and it does not flow into the stream. He said it would be a mess if you moved it. The commission suggested planting perennials in that area where the manure was located.

*A motion to accept the plan with a contingency to call the Conservation Commission.
Plant perennials that are not invasive by June 15, 2019.*

2 & 3 Valley View Drive: Charlie Bellemer went to the re-inspection. Mary McLaughlin read the inspection report. William Klansek, the applicant, wanted to know why all the money needs to be retained. Mrs. McLaughlin stated that because the grass is not grown, you could have gullying and washouts. The grass prevents the stormwater from getting to

the wetlands. It stops the erosion from happening. It looks like the problem has been rectified. The commission agreed to reimburse \$5, 234.00. Once the grass has grown, the rest of the stormwater bond money will be reimbursed.

A motion to reimburse half of the money (Snow/Bellemer) 4/0

12 Pointe Eastalee: Tony Bonaventura presented the plan regarding the well.

All in favor to agree to use a drywell and/or pipe to catch the overflow from the artesian well (Bellemer/Olivo) 4/0

137 Wilson Avenue: Mary McLaughlin read the letter regarding a complaint about a berm. The plan was already approved prior to this complaint.

Policy Statement regarding revised documents deadlines: The conservation commission members agree to sign the revised documents deadlines policy statement.

Appoint Margaret Emerson to Solar Bylaw Review Committee: Charlie Bellemer will attend when Margaret Emerson is absent.

A motion to appoint Margaret Emerson to the Solar Bylaw Review Committee and Charlie Bellemer is the alternate (Snow/Olivo) 4/0

8 & 10 Adams Street: Cease and Desist pet waste dumping. Ms. McLaughlin read the letter from 8 Adams Streets' daughter. The commission discussed what to do and they decided there was not much they could do.

115 Wilson Street: Schedule site visit for solar farm to inspect removal of invasive species, basin mowing and potential C of C.

13 Lake Avenue: Request for Certificate of Compliance.

A motion to issue the Certificate of Compliance (Olivo/Snow) 4/0

New Applications: 3 Old Meadow Road, RDA
19 Jolicoeur Avenue, RDA

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 p.m. (Olivo/Bellemer) passed 0/0.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jane Green, Senior Clerk

Development & Inspectional Services

Documents reviewed at the 11/14/18 Spencer Conservation Commission meeting

Agenda for 11/14/18

Margaret's report dated 11/14/18

Minutes from 9/12/18

Minutes from 10/10/18

Town of Spencer Revised Document Deadline Policy

Letter from Coldwater Fishery Resource Project

Ecotec Wetland Restoration Letter re: 184 Greenville Street

Photos of 184 Greenville Street

Letter from 10 Adams Street

Complaint Letter about Berm 137 Wilson Avenue

13 Lake Avenue Certificate of Compliance

62 Borkum Road Revised RDA

2 & 3 Valley View Reimburse half Stormwater Bond

Continuance 460 Main Street (signed)

Continuance Donnelly Cross Road Bridge over Shaw Brook (signed)