

Conservation Commission – Town of Spencer



Minutes

Conservation Commission Meeting
Wednesday, June 23, 2021 at 7:00 PM
Town Hall, McCourt Social Hall

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

Commissioners Present: Charlie Bellemer, Margaret Emerson, Mary McLaughlin & Robert Perry

Commissioners Absent: Warren Snow

Staff present: Jane Green

Staff absent:

Minutes Approved: *A motion to approve the minutes of June 9, 2021 as amended (Emerson/Bellemer) 4/0 passed with a roll call vote: Bellemer-yes, Emerson-yes, Perry-yes, McLaughlin-yes.*

Signed: There were no items to sign.

4.1 7:09 p.m. Continued the Public Hearing for Notice of Intent for Christine & Edwin Mullen

Property: Lot 1 North Spencer Road, Spencer, MA DEP#293-0987

At the request of the applicant, the hearing has been continued to July 14, 2021.

4.2 7:11 p.m. Continued the Public Hearing for the Notice of Intent for Gordon Letour

Property: 10 Meadow Road, Spencer, MA DEP#293-1007

At the request of the applicant, the hearing has been continued to July 14, 2021.

4.3 7:13 pm. Opened the Public Hearing for the Notice of Intent for Adrian Eugene Williams

Property: 28 South Spencer Road, Spencer, MA DEP#293-1015

The applicant's representative, Samantha Robinson from Green Hill Engineering, joined the hearing. There is a current cesspool that they plan to abandon and fill in and install a new 1500-gallon septic tank. The leach field will be on the side of the driveway. Ms. McLaughlin said that when the Commission went for a site visit, there was grubbing all the way down to the brook and along the back. There is a debris pile behind and to the right of the pool within the buffer zone. There is a 200-ft buffer within the riverfront and a 25-ft no touch zone. Mr. Williams said there was a couple of outhouses they had to remove. They had no idea that there was a problem with the debris pile. They were trying to pick up the mess. The Commission told the applicant they need a restoration plan for treatment of the debris pile and revegetating the grub area. They need to hire a Wetland Specialist to help with the plan. This will be done as an Enforcement Order.

A motion to close the public hearing (Perry/Emerson) 4/0 passed.

All is favor: Emerson-yes, Bellemer-yes, Perry-yes, McLaughlin-yes.

A motion to approve the Order of Conditions with Special Conditions (Perry/Bellemer) 4/0 passed.

All is favor: Emerson-yes, Bellemer-yes, Perry-yes, McLaughlin-yes.

4.4 7:40 Opened the Public Meeting for the Request for Determination of Applicability for Angela DeFalco

Property: 64 Chickering Road, Spencer, MA

The applicant did not join the meeting. The Commission discussed the importance of having the applicant or a representative present for the meeting. Therefore, the meeting will be continued.

At the request of the Commission, the meeting has been continued to July 14, 2021.

5.0 Other Business:

5.1 Bixby Trail – One of the Commission members discovered trash at the site. Ms. Parke, from the Common Ground Land Trust, said that there was a change in

management. The new management went and cleaned up the area. She went out and found some broken glass. Ms. Parke said that ATV's can still get into the trail. Mr. Bellemer said the only way to solve that is to put up cameras. A suggestion is to check with the Spencer Police Department.

5.2 Tree Pruning – There was a discussion on vista pruning vs. tree pruning. The Commission would like to discuss this further when the new Agent starts up.

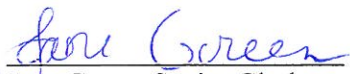
5.3 34 Lamoureux Lane – Tree removal- The Commission needs to do a site visit to determine if a permit is required.

6.0 Report from Chair: The Chair discussed the site visits with the Commission.

7.0 New Applications: 25 Lakeview Drive - RDA
31 Old Farm Road – RDA
101 Wilson Avenue – RDA
44 Lambs Grove – RDA
41 Lakeshore Drive
37 Pt Eastalee Drive - NOI

8.0 Adjournment: *A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m. (Perry/ Bellemer) passed 4/0.*

Respectfully submitted by:



Jane Green, Senior Clerk
Development & Inspectional Services

Documents Reviewed at the June 23, 2021 Conservation Commission Meeting

Agenda 6/23/21

Minutes 6/9/21

Continuance form Lot 1 North Spencer Road

Continuance form 10 Meadow Road

Order of Conditions 28 South Spencer Road

Continuance form 64 Chickering Road