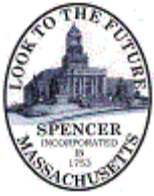


Conservation Commission – Town of Spencer

Minutes

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Conservation Commission Meeting
Wednesday, October 27, 2021 at 6:00 PM
Town Hall, McCourt Social Hall

If remote, please join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

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SPEAKING!**

1. The Meeting was opened at 6:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Charlie Bellemer, Margaret Emerson, Mary McLaughlin & Warren Snow

Commissioners Absent: Robert Perry

Staff present: Lauren Trifone & Jane Green
Staff absent:

2. Signed: a. Emergency Certification – 1 Nottingham Circle
b. Certificate of Compliance – 7.5 Meadow Rd & Wire Village Rd

3. Public Hearings/Meetings

a. 6:00 p.m. Continued the Public Hearing for the Notice of Intent for Christine & Edwin Mullen

Property: Lot 1 (32) North Spencer Road, Spencer MA DEP#293-0987

The applicant was not present at 6:00 p.m. Ms. McLaughlin wanted to wait and see if the applicant would join later. At 6:23 p.m., Dominic Rinaldi joined remotely and addressed the comments regarding the rating and surface description of the ground. It is based on

what the surface of the ground is versus what the grade of soil is. He discussed the debris on the forest floor. A rating of “fair” has more run-off and a higher curve number. A rating of “good” has less run-off and a lower curve number. The commission agreed with Mr. Rinaldi’s findings. Ms. Trifone said that we need to pay attention to the Stormwater Management on this property.

At the request of the applicant, the hearing has been continued to November 17, 2021.

b. 6:04 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 November 17, 2021.

c. 6:06 p.m. Opened the Public Meeting for the Request for Determination of Applicability for Nghiep Ha

Property: 8 Marble Road, Spencer, MA

Mr. Ha did not know that the deck extension was done in a riverfront zone. Ms. McLaughlin read the inspection report.

A motion to close the public meeting (Emerson/Bellemer) 4/0 passed.

All in favor: Emerson-aye, Bellemer-aye, Snow-aye & McLaughlin-aye.

A motion for a negative determination (Snow/Emerson) 4/0 passed.

All in favor: Emerson-aye, Bellemer-aye, Snow-aye & McLaughlin-aye.

d. 6:10 Opened the Public Meeting for the Request for Determination of Applicability for Kevin Thibault

Property: 25 Delude Avenue, Spencer, MA

The homeowner, Kathleen Bryan, told the Commission the plan is to re-do the deck and replace the stairs and railings. The previous contractor did work that was not up to code. The Commission looked at the plans. Ms. McLaughlin read the inspection report.

A motion to close the public meeting (Snow/Bellemer) 4/0 passed.

All in favor: Emerson-aye, Bellemer-aye, Snow-aye & McLaughlin-aye.

A motion for a negative determination (Snow/Bellemer) 4/0 passed.

All in favor: Emerson-aye, Bellemer-aye, Snow-aye & McLaughlin-aye.

e. 6:15 Continued the Public Hearing for the Notice of Intent for SJC Development
Property: Wire Village Road, Spencer, MA DEP#293-1027

Jason Dubois joined remotely and said that the plans were changed according to what DEP recommended. Mr. Dubois explained the changes to the Commission. Ms. Emerson wanted to know if there was a buffer zone shown on the plans near the wetlands. Mr. Dubois did not put the buffer zone on the plans, he will add that to the plans as a condition.

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

All in favor: Emerson-aye, Bellemer-aye, Snow-aye & McLaughlin-aye.

A motion to approve the Order of Conditions with special conditions (Bellemer/Snow) 4/0 passed.

All in favor: Emerson-aye, Bellemer-aye, Snow-aye & McLaughlin-aye.

4. Other Business:

- a. Article 32 – The Commission will wait until the spring to add this to the Special Town Meeting.
- b. 10 Blueberry Hill Drive – Bill Delude discussed the plans to rectify the erosion. Ms. Trifone suggested a site visit in the spring to see if the work proposed fixed the erosion problems.

5. Agent's Update:

- a. Violations & Complaints:
 - 34 Paxton Road – Ms. Trifone received a complaint about stormwater issues. They have lots of water in their backyard.
- b. Other discussion items:
 - Lake Whittemore will be drained on November 3, 2021 per Marty German.
 - 34 Brooks Pond Rd – the family is dividing the property. The plan is to use a shared driveway, which Conservation is in support of. There is a possibility of a new driveway, which Planning Board supports.
 - 4 Lamoureux Lane – Mike Nardone is working with Glenn Krevosky. The plan is to put down millings in the spring. There was a discussion about roads. Ms. Trifone recommended an Administrative Approval for the millings and erosion controls.
 - 51 Lake Ave – National Grid is doing a wire replacement in November or December.
 - 18 Briarcliff Lane – They have revised the site plan because they changed the water pipe and the infiltration controls. The Commission looked at the plans. Mr. Snow would like to see a “change table” on the plans by 11/17/21.
 - Charlton Bacon Hill Roads/Ash Street – Ms. Trifone, Todd Miller & Duane Amos had a meeting with Steve Pikul and Elio Qorri about these two sites. Both projects have a housing development and a solar farm. Ms. Trifone told the

applicant to make sure that they wait to hand in updated plans until everything is complete.

- Deer Run – Bill Ross wanted an update on this project. There are a lot of wetlands on that property. There have been a lot of issues with the project for years.
- Ms. Trifone is trying to find more opportunities to reach out to our community to have a better relationship with the residents. She would like to have a “Welcome Packet” for new residents. Mr. Bellemer said that a lot of people read the “New Leader.” Ms. Trifone would like to have a town clean-up day for Earth Day next year. If anyone has suggestions for areas that could use clean-up, that would be great. We could reach out to churches, high school students, businesses and scouts. Ms. Trifone mentioned another idea to drop off bags at residents addresses and collect trash when they have time. Mr. Snow suggested reaching out to local hiking clubs, realtors and local land trusts to educate the public about wetlands & conservation issues.

New Applications: 31 Point Eastalee Drive – RDA
15 Delude Avenue – RDA
49 Wilson Avenue – RDA
6 Lamoureux Lane – RDA
12 Bond Street - RDA

Minutes Approved:

A motion to approve the minutes of October 13, 2021, as amended (Snow/Bellemer) 4/0 passed.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. (Snow/Bellemer) 4/0 passed.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jane Green, Senior Clerk
Development & Inspectional Services

Documents reviewed at the 10/27/21 Conservation Commission Meeting

Agenda 10/27/21

Minutes 10/13/21

7.5 Meadow Rd & Wire Village Road – Certificate of Compliance

1 Nottingham Circle – Emergency Certification

Lot 1 (32) North Spencer Road – Continuance

10 Meadow Road – Continuance

8 Marble Road – DOA

25 Delude Avenue – DOA

Wire Village Road – OofC

10 Blueberry Hill Drive

Article 32

18 Briarcliff Lane – Revised plans

Conservation Commission 2022 Meeting Deadlines