

In Attendance:

Stacy Parsons (Chairing)

Joe Trybus

Dean Maynard

Jack Hickey

7:00 pm

Informational meeting with Aaron Williams

- Seeking to remove 3 fallen trees and debris from broken beaver dams from Town Brook to prevent flooding on his and his mother's properties during large storm events.
- Reviewed site photos. Trees marked A and B can be cut up and removed by hand.
- Some heavy equipment will be required. Tree C is a large willow.
- Conservation required grind stumps in place to protect bank stability
- No downstream impacts anticipated. No significant ponding is happening behind the fallen trees and debris.
- Discussed recommendations: work by hand, prevent damage to the bank, work when water is low or the brook is frozen. If using a contractor or there will be impacts to resource areas due to machinery, a RDA will be required.
- No further action taken by the Commission.

7:15 pm

Informational meeting with Bob Ericson, Chair, Energy Futures Committee

RE: Proposed Solar project/Senior Housing site

- Reviewed site plan prepared for bidding documents, aerial photos, and site visit notes.
- Work is restricted to the 13 acre area north of the intermittent streams. The rest of the site is designated for the senior housing project.
- Commission voted to endorse the conceptual idea of the project. Any work would still need to comply with the Wetlands Protection Act.

7:25 pm

Informational meeting with Ron Tinkham, ZBA re: 585 South Main St.

- ZBA hearing a request to convert the barn behind Krispy Kone for use by the Party Barn. Received notice of ZBA hearing on 6/3/13 for 585 South Main St., Levardi
- Commission had no objections. No resource areas will be impacted.

7:30 pm

Request for Determination, 525 South Main Street

Kevin Hixson, BL Companies

John Friend, Planning Board

Damon Oscarson, Wetland Scientist, BL Companies

*S. Parsons recusing herself due to potential conflict of interest.

- Proposed redevelopment to construct Dollar General Store on the site of the present Party Barn. Reviewed existing and proposed site plans. Intermittent stream in the eastern corner of the property connects to a culvert and crosses under Rt. 7.
- No proposed or permitted work to occur within the buffer zone or resource area. Stormwater structures will be in place. Work is limited to the frontage along Rt. 7.
- Issued negative determination regarding the work and positive determination regarding the location of the resource areas on site. Will need an amendment for the special permit issued by the Planning Board.

7:45 pm

Request for Determination, 137 Narragansett Ave

Ralph D'Elia, property owner

- Proposed repair of retaining wall to match existing lawn and utilizing the same footprint. No excavation required. Contractor repairing a dry stacked stone wall.
- Reviewed site photos.
- Issued negative determination with condition that the work occur during drawdown. Advised them of requirements under Ch. 91 and contact information for L. Hauge, Harbormaster.

8:00 pm

Informational meeting with Lee Hauge, Harbormaster

- Reviewed Abrams, 4 B Street. Permit issued by the Commission. Revised plan design called for less impact to the resource areas.
- Commission has received notice of public notice and simplified waterways license application from 4 B Street, Abrams property.
- L. Hauge discussed Ch. 91 setback requirements. Referred him to Jeremiah Mew at DEP regarding their Ch 91 application.

Informational meeting with Betit, 1 Orchard Ave.

- Reviewed application and process.
- Set public hearing for 7 pm on June 3rd

Informational meeting with Barzousky, 3 Orchard St.

- Commission has received copy of Chapter 91 Notice for 3 Orchard St., Barzousky property, from DEP.
- Reviewed application and process. Set public hearing for 7:15 pm on June 3rd.

Informational meeting with Rick Murphy, 169 Narragansett Ave.

- Commission has received notes and copy of Chapter 91 Waterways License Application for 169 Narragansett Ave., Murphy property.
- Recommended filing a RDA for the existing dock.
- Reviewed application process. Tentatively set 7:30 pm on June 3rd for the public hearing.

- Briefly discussed situation with Overbaugh, 173 Narragansett Ave. Ms. Overbaugh has an application in with Ch. 91. Nothing has been filed with Conservation at this time.

Discussed Dock License procedure:

- New dock regulations, "general permit" will allow property owners to essentially self certify their docks and require at least a 15' setback.
- Review may be moved to the Planning Board with the new regulations. Conservation would still review under the Wetlands Act.
- Discussion of whether the Commission could enforce the Town bylaw. S. Parsons will contact DEP for clarification.

Information meeting with Bob Barton, 33 Narragansett/3 Grove Ave.

***S. Parsons recused due to potential conflict of interest**

- Had received a permit to install dock 15' from the property line. Actually installed it 10' away to give distance from the septic on neighboring property and washout from Narragansett Ave. Future rebuilding the causeway will also impact the dock location.
- Discussed whether a new RDA is required. Harbormaster will give a letter of support. Barton will revise plan and amend the Ch. 91 license. L. Hauge suggested contacting Jeremiah Mew at DEP about how best to resolve the issue.
- No further action taken at this time.

Other Business:

- Reviewed budget statements
- Received email from Bill DeCelles on 4/24/13. The Highway Department will be putting sand on Town Beach as part of the annual maintenance of that area. The rocks will be replaced along the edge of the roadway.
- Received copy of Chapter 91 Notice for 15 Narragansett Ave., Callahan, from DEP.
- Received issuance of waterways license for construction and maintenance of a dock at the end of National Street to M. Tristany.
- Received email regarding on site enforcement meeting for Condron, South Main Street, from DEP.
- Added copy of the 2002 Watershed Study, vegetated buffer brochures, protecting water quality brochures, and landscaper guidance to the resources available.

Adjourned 9 pm