

Conservation Commission



19 WASHINGTON STREET
SHERBORN, MASSACHUSETTS 01770

May 20, 2010

Sherborn Town Hall

7:30 P.M.

Minutes of the Meeting

Members: Andrea Stiller, Steve Gaskin (Chair), Michael Lesser, Rob Eckert, Bridget Graziano (Agent/Administrator)

Members Absent: Carl Shedd, Will Willis, Susan Tyler (left at 7:35 PM)

Guests: George Fiske, Eliot Taylor, Nancy and Pat Teti

Call to Order: Steve called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

Discussion 1- Request for Determinations

See Determinations below

After discussion of his RDA, George Fiske said that he was beginning to work on organizing another Sherborn Grange Fair for September 2011 and asked about use of the Barber Reservation as in past fairs. The Commission replied favorably.

Discussion 2- Vote to recommend that the Board of Selectmen reappoint Andrea, Michael, and Will to the Conservation Commission

Steve moved that the Commission recommend Andrea, Michael and Will to be reappointed by the Board of Selectmen. This was seconded and accepted unanimously.

Discussion 3- Vote for Chair and Treasurer

Steve moved that Michael stay as Treasurer and that Rob Eckert become Chair. This was seconded and accepted unanimously.

Discussion 4- Local Acquisition for Natural Diversity: Land Grant Program

This is a federal grant program which administers funds for municipalities to obtain or improve recreation and conservation land. The Commission discussed being prepared to take advantage of this program, which is available on an annual basis.

Discussion 5- FY 11 Budget

The Commission discussed next year's budget.

Approval of Minutes

Michael moved to approve the April 15, 2010 minutes with the discussed edits. This was seconded and accepted 3-0. Rob was not present at the meeting so he abstained. Steve moved to approve the executive session April 15, 2010 minutes as amended, this was seconded and accepted 3-0. . Rob moved to approve the May 6, 2010 minutes as amended. This was seconded and accepted 3-0. Steve was not present at the meeting so he abstained.

Agent/Administrator's Report

- Agent will be on vacation from May 24-28 and will return for regular office hours June 1
- General Chemical Corporation near Sunshine Farm- Rob moved that he would draft an email to Town Counsel and copy Bridget for review with the Town Administrator. The Commission would be asking if the Commission could take a secondary position to other Boards and Commission that are already engaged in this issue. This was seconded and accepted unanimously.
- Buffer zone article will be distributed by the Commission for review
- 46 Greenwood Street plans submitted – Commission reviewed
- Update on Conservation Land Maintenance- Bridget reports she has met with George Fiske and Patrick Keene about Hidden Meadow maintenance and asked that George speak with Mr. Hodson-Walker about Schoolhouse Property maintenance.
- BOS meeting attendance for June 10th at 9:35 P.M.- Recine Property (the Commission has been asked to attend and Bridget posted a conservation public meeting so that the entire Commission may attend).

Approval of Determinations

The following Determinations were reviewed. Based on the recommendations of the Agent, the Determinations were signed and approved by the Commission:

<u>Address</u>	<u>Description of Work</u>	<u>Findings</u>
57 Harrington Ridge Road	Removal of landings for replacement	NEGATIVE 3
27 Hollis Street	Installation of new well, abandonment	

	of old well	EXTENDED (with 21 day waiver)
58 Old Orchard Road	Expansion of lawn	NEGATIVE 3
31 Deerfield Road	Construct a new deck	NEGATIVE
88 Old Orchard Road	Replace Distribution Box	NEGATIVE
111 Coolidge Street	Installation of Fencing	NEGATIVE
194 Maple Street	Soil Testing ONLY	NEGATIVE 3
21 South Main Street	Certificate of Compliance	NOT GRANTED

21 South Main Street - Certificate of Compliance was not granted to applicant, due to lack of compliance with condition #24 in the Order of Conditions, issued May 16, 2007. The Commission requested in December 2009, a plan to comply with this condition and the applicant did not provide the requested for a plan, prior to remediation work taking place. The Commission finds that the remediation work performed is not sufficient to prevent erosion of slope. The Commission would require monitoring.

Adjournment: There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Trainor
Minutes Clerk