

# TOWN OF MAYNARD

## MAYNARD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes, February 7, 2012, 6:30 – 8:50

Conservation Commission Office, Town Hall

**PRESENT:** Commission Members: Fred King (chairman), John Dwyer, Peter Keenan, Jessica Pfeifer, and Doug Moore  
Agent: Linda Hansen  
Visitor: Eva Picard

### ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

- Review minutes from 01/17/2012. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (4-0; Ms. Pfeifer abstained) to approve the minutes of 01/17/12 as written

### FINANCIAL:

- L. Hansen's salary for 01/28/12 to 02/10/12 = \$971.20. Mr. King signed the payroll form.

### PUBLIC HEARING:

none

### WETLANDS/STORMWATER ISSUES:

- Update on site visit at 0 Old Mill Road. The property owner needs to come up with an erosion control plan for the area that was clear cut to make sure the area is stable. No need for stormwater management but stabilization is required until a plan for the parcel is finalized.
- Update on clear-cutting of area for turtle habitat in ARNWF. The ARNWF does not need to file with the Conservation Commission due to a federal exemption. DPW has the option to notify DEP Office of Water about the clear cutting in a Zone I area.
- Follow-up on Stormwater review for Pine Street Condo project by Meridian Associates. The review by Meridian showed problems with the porous pavement model. During a recent meeting with the site engineer, the conservation agent and the Planning Board consultant, Mark Beaudry (Meridian) discouraged the use of porous pavement and asked the engineer to redesign the SW management for the site and then apply with the Conservation Commission for compliance under the bylaw. Mr. King also reviewed the Stormwater Report submitted with the Planning Board application and stated that the plan and the model used had numerous deficiencies. The agent will provide the engineer with Mr. King's email contact to discuss SW management for the project.
- Prepare SW permit form, discuss regulations and permit fee. The agent will start with an OOC form and modify it for the SW permit form to include a signature page, a finding section, and a section to indicate whether the project was denied, approved, or approved with conditions.
- OOC for Taylor Road. The Conservation Commission agreed that a proposal to change lot sizes and limits of disturbance for the two parcels within the Commission's jurisdiction would require a new Notice of Intent filing.

### LAND MANAGEMENT:

- Trail assessment for mobility-disabled access required for town trails. The agent recently attended a workshop regarding this access requirement and the need for Commissions to develop policies. Audubon and Trustees of Reservations have policies that restrict motorized access to electric vehicles only. The Town of Carlisle has a similar policy.
- Gift of \$2K for upkeep of conservation parcel on Taylor Road (not currently owned by ConsCom). David Hunter would like to present the Commission with a check. However, the land owner has not yet transferred the lot to the Commission as required by the Order of Conditions. If the land owner chooses to apply for a new or amended OOC, the conservation parcel could be altered in size.
- Review legislation for the release of two-acre parcel of land. The home rule petition drafted by Town Counsel will be sent out electronically to the Commission members for their review.

### BUSINESS:

- Review Open Space Plan Chapter 4. The comments provided by the Commission will be incorporated in the document and an electronic draft will be sent out for review.
- Town Report due February 10<sup>th</sup>. The agent will send out a draft on Thursday for the Commission's review.

*Approved March 20, 2012*

- Annual Environmental Conference scheduled for March 3. Three Commission members and the agent plan to attend. The agent will register those attending.
- Agent will not be available for the February 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. The Commission suggested having a February 28<sup>th</sup> meeting instead, or cancel the meeting if no applications are submitted before then.

**Mail of note:**

- NSTAR utility maintenance exemption notification for Hillside Street
- Keystone Project 3-day training workshop application
- Middlesex Conservation District Spring Plant Sale
- Division of Ecological Restoration Ebb and Flow newsletter
- Rushing Rivers Newsletter

**Meetings Adjourned: 8:50**