

TOWN OF MAYNARD

MAYNARD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes, December 19, 2013, 6:30 – 8:39 pm

Municipal Services Conference Room, Town Hall

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

- Review minutes from 11/05/2013, 11/19/2013 and 12/3/2013. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to approve the 11/05/2013 minutes and the 11/19/2013 minutes as written. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to approve the 12/03/2013 minutes as amended.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation (7:00, continued from December 3rd)
Assabet River Rail Trail
Linda Hansen, Town of Maynard
The Commission reviewed the plans and need clarification regarding the following:
 1. On the north side of the canal, the bank was labeled as wetland but no bank was indicated.
 2. Along the Assabet River, edge of water was labeled, but the mean annual high water was not flagged (Sheet 2).
 3. The intermittent stream was not delineated in the area between Concord Road and Rockland Avenue. Wetland flagging in this area is sufficient for the ANRAD, but determining the bank of the stream will need to be addressed during the Notice of Intent process.
 4. The Commission questioned if the potential vernal pool would be studied, because work within 750 feet of the vernal pool would trigger the need for a general permit from Army Corps of Engineers. Also, the Commission inquired if the potential vernal pool is connected to the river or if it is isolated. (They also recommended for future filings to indicate the maximum high water.)
 5. The 200 foot riverfront area needs to be added to the plans and can be approximate (using MassGIS), other than the area where the riverfront area meets the wetland flags (near the end of the canal) and both the wetland and riverfront buffer zones indicated (and their overlap).
 6. Wetlands (and for future filings, the associated buffer zones) near the town line with Stow along White Pond Road need to be indicated on the plans.

The Commission questioned why field data forms or a narrative were not prepared for this ANRAD filing. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present to continue the hearing until January 7, 2014 at 8:00.

- Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation (7:30, continued from December 3rd)
129 Parker Street
Scott Goddard, representing Capital Properties
Mr. Goddard requested a continuance until 7:00 on January 7, 2014. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present (5-0) to continue the public hearing until January 7, 2014 at 7:00.
- Request for Determination (8:00)
Assabet River Rail Trail
Linda Hansen, Town of Maynard
Removal of steel rails
The agent included the language under item #6 suggested by Mr. King. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all present to issue a Negative Determination for the removal of rails on the abandoned rail line.

WETLANDS/STORMWATER ISSUES:

- Enforcement order issued to property owner at 5 Walcott. The property owner is currently unavailable to attend the Conservation Commission meeting. The agent will contact her in January.
- Maynard High School retention pond and erosion control removal, DEP file number 213-0242. The agent made a site visit with Steve Ventresca of Nitch Engineering on December 9th and viewed the erosion control. Steve will provide the contractor with a summary of where to remove the erosion control and where to retain it. He will also send photos of the retention pond cleaning and an explanation on how it was achieved.
- Final CPC proposal submitted. A proposal similar to last year's proposal was submitted on Monday.

Approved January 7, 2014

LAND MANAGEMENT:

- Address encroachment issues at Dix Road. The agent will contact the residences on Dix Road to coordinate removal of the shed and fences. She will also explore access to the conservation property.

BUSINESS:

- none

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:39