



TOWN OF MAYNARD

Conservation Commission

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MEETING MINUTES: February 23, 2023

Commission Members Present: Susan Erickson, Steven Smith, Jeffrey Black, M. John Dwyer

Alternate Members Present: Andrea Grossman

Town Staff/Consultants: Julia Flanary

Absent: Christopher Ciano-Collins, Sarah Measures

Others Present: Jonathan Coffman, Phil Henry, Sam McCormick, Chris Varney

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Conservation Commission Chair Susan Erickson.

1. Meeting Opening:

The meetings will be conducted with decorum. This means that the members of the Commission and the public are required to always respect each other. We may not always agree with one-another, but we can work to resolve differences with patience and understanding. As a member of the public, you are encouraged to participate in the meeting. To ensure the meeting proceeds in an orderly manner, please follow these procedures. If you wish to comment or ask a question of the Commission:

- Raise your digital hand once the Chair has opened up the meeting for public comment.
- When you are recognized to speak, please state your name and address.
- Direct all comments/questions to the Commission through the Chair.
- In the interest of time, limit your questions and statements to two (2) minutes.
- Limit your statements/questions to the topic at hand.
- Talk ONLY about issues that are under the jurisdiction of the Wetlands Protection Act.

2. **Enforcement Order - 86 Powder Mill Rd**

- a. A notice of violation was sent to the owners and applicants of 86 Powder Mill Rd on 2/1/2023. Agent described the violations consisting of unpermitted installation of impervious material below the deck as a means to prevent erosion, modifications to site plan, installation of swale causing direct discharge to the Assabet River next to the dumpster corral. This swale was installed due to ponding that was occurring because the height of the dumpster corral prevented the water from reaching the stormceptor.
- b. The Representatives for the Co-Op and property spoke about the violation and acknowledged the solution was not permitted and apologized for this. Representatives included Sam McCormick, Chris Varney, Jonathan Coffman, and



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Phil Henry. Phil Henry, Engineer from Civil Design Group, presented a plan for a solution of removal of concrete. Wayne Amico from VHB asked that the plans be submitted for review and that a plan be made for the direct discharge issue as well.

- c. *Jeff Black made a motion to issue an enforcement order to 86 Powder Mill Rd for the violations stated above with the conditions that plans be submitted to remediate the problem by March 16th. Steve Smith seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

3. Notice of Intent - 5 Blue Jay Way

- a. The NOI filed by Melissa Powell of 5 Blue Jay Way, Maynard, MA 01754 proposed a sunroom and patio within 50 ft of the Wetland Resource Area and replacing existing deck and lawn area.
- b. Aidan Schlotman from Stamski and McNary presented the plans. The Commission asked the architect, Larry Cohen for clarification on specific parts of the projects including patio materials which are concrete pavers with joint sand with pitch towards the open lawn.
- c. No public comments were given on this project.
- d. *Jeff Black made a motion close the public comment portion of the process. John Dwyer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*
- e. The Commission went through the Form 5 and discussed the conditions to include the draft that Agent proposed.
- f. The Agent realized that the DEP had not assigned the permit number therefore the permit must be continued and OOC was not issued until the next meeting.
- g. Steve Smith made a motion to continue the hearing to the next meeting. John Dwyer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

4. Agent Updates

- a. Agent has two new High School Senior Interns: Kayla DeCapua and Will Fallon. They both will be helping out on permitting, filing and site visits. Will is also doing his senior project with us and is focused on beaver mitigation along the Assabet. He will be assessing the damage around Ice House Landing area and putting a sand/paint mixture on 10 -25 trees. The goal is to deter beavers from taking down significant portions of our canopy along the river.
- b. Earth Day celebration sponsored by Green Maynard has invited to have a booth on April 21. Agent will attend and hopes other Commissioners can join. Commission discussed materials we should prepare such as trail maps and land maps
- c. Kayak Rental Services



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- i. Commission discussed the kayak rental stations for Ice House Landing. Attached are images of the Agent's idea. Quotes have been requested but based on research, there are different types of companies, some where we can buy the station and equipment and others. Rent.Fun was the only company to respond for request for quote. Commission asked they present their proposal at next meeting.
 1. *Steve Smith made a motion to approve continuing research in the pursuit of a kayak rental station. Susan Erickson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*
- ii. Meeting Minutes: Commission Approved Meeting minutes from 1.26.23
 1. *Steve Smith made a motion to approve the minutes. Jeff Black seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

John Dwyer made a motion to end the meeting, Jeff Black seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.