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Meeting Held via Zoom

This meeting was held virtually through Zoom, Zoom ID 847 2120 0877

Conservation Commission Minutes **Monday, July 27, 2020**

Approved: August 10, 2020

Chair Alan Chaney called the meeting to order at 6:31pm.

Members present: Tara Alcorn, Marijan Andacic, Al Starbird, Juan Amodei, Leah Basbanes and Kate DeLoureiro (who will be appointed before our next meeting)

Request for Determination (RFD) – 93 Depot Street - David LaRiviere

Alan opened the public meeting at 6:32pm. Mr. LaRiviere addressed the Commission asking to crush an old foundation, remove debris/tires, regrade and restore the site at 93 Depot Street. Leah had previously met Mr. LaRiviere out at the property. She told members that parts of the foundation were flimsy and caving in, which could cause a safety issue. The foundation is about 40 feet from a pond. Leah felt that the request was reasonable saying that the restoration would improve the habitat in area. Leah made a motion to issue a negative 3 determination with the following conditions: a) install erosion control b) if fill is needed, it must be clean top soil c) seed and mulch area to provide stabilization. Juan 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

Introduction of Kate DeLoureiro

The Board of Selectmen at their July 29 meeting will appoint Kate to the Conservation Commission. Members introduced themselves and welcomed Kate.

Meeting Minutes – July 13, 2020

Leah made a motion to approve, as submitted, the July 13 meeting minutes. Marijan 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

Bills/Payroll

Marijan made a motion to sign the payroll. Juan 2nd the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

Tree Removal - 101 Adam Street – Mike Roberts

Alan will contact Mr. Roberts and meet him at the site this week.

253 Pleasant Street – Godiejka

Mr. Godiejka for the 2nd time did not (as requested by Conservation) send in his Request for Determination for work he completed within the 100' buffer zone; namely vegetation removal and placement of concrete blocks. Members asked the Administrative Assistant once again to send him a certified letter with a date of August 14 to submit the paperwork or he will be



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subject to Enforcement.

257 Pleasant Street – Gelineau

Members will send a letter to Mr. Gelineau and a site visit scheduled to insure he is aware of what he can and cannot do within the 100-foot wetland buffer. There is concern a pathway he is creating may be wider than what is permissible.

Additional Topics Discussed Not Noted on the Agenda

Question on Shed/Cabana - 432 River Street – Tim Belanger

Mr. Belanger joined the meeting to discuss whether he needs to file with the Commission to put a shed/cabana and pergola within the 100' buffer zone. Both structures would be about 30 feet into the buffer, but out of the 60-foot prohibitive area. Members asked if the buildings could be placed out of the 100-foot buffer, therefore, avoiding having to file with Conservation. Mr. Belanger said, "Possibly". If Mr. Belanger would like to keep the structures where they are, he would need to file, possibly a Request for Determination with the Commission. Members decided to meet Mr. Belanger out to the site on Saturday, August 8 at 10am to look at the area.

Annual Town Meeting – July 30, 2020

Alan reminded members that the Annual Town Meeting is Thursday, July 30 at 7pm. He asked that members attend the meeting to vote on the Emery property purchase. He also told members that the state would be out on Friday, July 31 at 10am to walk the Emery site.

Sunroom - 69 Westford Street - Fraser

Mr. Fraser emailed the Commission regarding a sunroom he would like to build on his home. There is a Conservation Restriction on the property and he wants to make sure that he is out of the area as well as out of the buffer zone. Alan will meet up with Mr. Fraser this week.

Turtle Survey

Tara spoke about a turtle survey conducted in Nashua NH. The same person would like to do a comparative study in Dunstable next year.

Leah made a motion to close the meeting at 7:31pm. Tara second the motion. – Motion passed unanimously. The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for Monday, August 10 at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann - Administrative Assistant for the Dunstable Conservation Commission
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