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Meeting Held via Zoom  
This meeting was held virtually through Zoom, Zoom ID 856 9860 9637

**Conservation Commission Minutes**  
**Monday, May 24, 2021**

Approved: June 14, 2021

Chair Alan Chaney called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Members present: Juan Amodei, Marijan Andacic, Leah Basbanes, Al Starbird, Kate DeLoureiro and Tiffany Naughton

In attendance: Tom Carr & Sam Ingram (Meridian Land Services, Inc.), Jenepher Spencer, Michael Martin, Eric Carlson & Kellan Lewis (BSC Group), Peter Goransson, Harold and Joan Simmons, Matt Raymond, Scott Bonefant, Kristina Hooper, Cheryl Sargent, and Kate Guziejka

**ANRAD Hearing – 160 Westford Street – Scott Bonefant**

Alan opened the hearing at 6:32pm. The Administrative Assistant read the legal notice. Mr. Carr from Meridian Land Services explained that the Westford Street parcel is 25.87 acres with wetlands in the rear and Black Brook running through the back left of the property. Mr. Carr said that he and Spencer Tate delineated the wetlands. Leah asked if they are familiar with our local bylaw, as they did not identify the isolated wetland near the house. Mr. Carr said that he believes that since the wetland was man-made, it is not an isolated wetland. Leah disagreed. She also mentioned that they did not identify wetlands using both hydric soils and vegetation. Mr. Carr said that he followed state protocol, which uses soils. Leah pointed out that the Black Brook bank was not flagged for median high water levels. Mr. Carr admitted there might be areas that need adjusting. Leah told Mr. Carr that our local bylaw is stricter than the state. The Commission did not receive a DEP file number. There were no other comments or questions from members or those in attendance. After the discussion, a site visit was set up for Saturday, June 5 at 1pm. Mr. Ingram then asked for a continuation of the hearing. Leah made a motion to grant the continuation of the hearing to Monday, June 14 at 6:30pm. Tiffany 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

**Notice of Intent Hearing – Route 113 Project – Highway Department**

Alan opened the hearing at 7:06pm. The Administrative Assistant read the legal notice. This State/Highway Department project has been ongoing since 2014. Mr. Carlson presented an overview of the 7-million dollar project, which is a result of input from many town Boards. The start of the project will be in spring of 2022. Leah talked about managing stormwater runoff and suggested a retention/detention basin for sediment and contaminants. Alan asked that they protect trees 30-50 feet behind the project. Leah suggested tying ribbons around those trees so contractors will not damage them. The Commission did not receive the DEP file number. There were no other comments or questions from members or those in attendance.



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Mr. Carlson then asked for a continuation of the hearing. Leah made a motion to grant the continuation of the hearing to Monday, June 14 at 7pm. Tiffany 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Electrical Service – 4 poles at 104 Main Street – Matt Raymond**

Mr. Raymond asked if he could install four poles within the buffer zone of a wetland. Members will conduct a site visit, which was set up for Saturday, May 29 at 11am.

#### **Meeting Minutes of May 10, 2021**

Al made a motion to approve, as submitted, the May 10 meeting minutes. Marijan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Bills and Payroll -**

No bills. Kate made a motion to sign payroll. Marijan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Site Visit to 103 Century Way – Regarding Tree Removal – Joshua Reinhart**

Leah and Alan went out to 103 Century Way and met with Mr. Reinhart. There are eleven trees, mostly pine, which he would like to remove. One is dangerously close to his neighbor. Most did not look healthy. There is a dead red maple and a white birch in the back of the home that an arborist also said to remove. A letter will go out to Mr. Reinhart giving him permission to remove the trees with a reminder to keep all machinery out of the brook. Leah will include a stipulation for Mr. Reinhart to place wetland plantings along the side of the stream.

#### **No Trespassing Signs near Pleasant Street Ext.**

No report.

#### **Additional Topics Discussed Not Noted on the Agenda**

#### **Annual Town Meeting**

Alan said that both Conservation articles passed at the Annual Town Meeting.

Leah made a motion to close the meeting at 8:04pm. Marijan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously. The next meeting of the Commission will be on Monday, June 14 at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann  
Administrative Assistant  
Dunstable Conservation Commission