

Holland Conservation Commission  
27 Sturbridge Road, Holland MA 01521

Minutes of Holland Conservation Commission (HCC) held on Aug 25, 2015.

**Members Present:** Marcia Beal, Fran Gallo, Valerie Lundin, Chris McCooe, Jeanne Crowley

**Members Absent:** Jessica Chaffee

Meeting called to order at 7:00 by Chairperson Marcia Beal.

Motion by C. McCooe to waive reading of minutes of August 11, 2015 and accept with amendments. 2<sup>nd</sup> by F. Gallo. All in favor. Motion passed.

**Order of business: Announcements**

- ☒ HCC can now file DEP forms through the internet at <https://edep.dep.mass.gov>. F. Gallo worked with Mark Stinson and Judith Schmitz from DEP to set up electronic submission.
- ☒ DEP forms training workshop with Mark Stinson has been re-scheduled for Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
- ☒ C. McCooe reported the Lake Oversight Committee contract for the lake weed treatment contract expires in 2017.
- ☒ C. McCooe will represent HCC on the Lake Oversight Committee. The next meeting is October 9<sup>th</sup> and the following on Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>. M. Beal will act as alternate.
- ☒ M. Beal suggested each board member work on a specific case from start to finish, so as to learn the whole process. C. McCooe will continue with 30 Stoney Hill Rd. (C. Henchey) (R35/C/12 – DEP184-0296) and J. Crowley will work with 26 Old Acres Rd. (M. Wells) (R23/B/5).
- ☒ V. Lundin reported she noticed a tree service cutting limbs off a tree at 6 White Lane (R07/B/3) within the buffer zone. She met the owner, Mr. Joseph Pucci and asked if he had a permit. He did not have one. V. Lundin asked him to stop and not cut the tree down until he obtained a permit and came to the next HCC meeting on Tuesday, Aug 25.
- ☒ Agricultural Exemption concerning tree removal was discussed. More information forthcoming.

**Phone Calls:**

- ☒ A town resident left a message concerning by-laws for building a structure. F. Gallo will contact resident and advise to contact building inspector.

**Correspondence: N/A**

**New Business:**

- ☒ Per C. McCooe: It is the responsibility of HCC to send a letter to the BOS (Board of Selectmen) for draw-down approval and for weed treatments. A letter will be sent to BOS for the upcoming draw down. A letter will also be sent to request an extension for weed treatment in late August and September. DEP file #129 for Draw Down and Weed Treatment Contracts of 2013 have been extended and are valid until 2017. Letters need to be sent to BOS every September for draw down.
  - o A letter to the BOS concerning this falls draw down will be written by C. McCooe

## Old Business:

- ☒ A. Cormier (contractor for C. Henchey) contacted C. McCooe concerning the Enforcement Order for 30 Stoney Hill Rd. (R35/C/12). Glenn Kievosky, a certified erosion specialist, has been obtained and a plan established to divert water by installing flexible piping that would alleviate water run off from the road. The plan would be put into effect immediately to stabilize the area. C. McCooe obtained a copy and spoke with Mark Stinson who agreed the plan sounded solid. Discussion by HCC with concerns including:
  - a) What date is referred to as immediately?
  - b) How is it determined and how do you define stabilize? What is the criteria?
  - c) Who "certifies" and signs off on the plan when it has been completed?

Concerning the well & septic: C. McCooe contacted the BOH on 6/23/15. BOH replied and reported they had contacted the contractor and was waiting for a reply concerning fees, however, BOH had no reply from contractor. A. Cormier stated to HCC at the meeting of July 14, 2015 he was still waiting for BOH to issue a permit, in fact, he had not responded back to BOH as stated above.

- ☒ Dan Fetko: 35 Lakeridge Dr. (R04/A/12) F. Gallo is working with D. Fetko to help him complete his NOI. Gallo has spoken to Mark Stinson from the DEP. Stinson recommended an erosion specialist be hired. D. Fetko has hired Glenn Kievosky, erosion specialist, to submit an erosion control plan for property. Per Gallo, Stinson from DEP has been updated. The HCC will be notified as soon as plan is available.
- ☒ Timothy Martin: 29 Pine Tree Dr. (R41/B/14)  
Site visit was completed. M. Beal checked with Building Inspector. if a permit was requested/issued. J. Keough believes there was not. HCC will send a letter asking T. Martin to attend the next meeting to explain his intentions and to stop work on the wall.

## Walk-ins:

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- ☒ JoAnne Higgins, Principal Assessor, Town of Holland:  
Has filed an NOI for the Highway department with the DEP. Requested a hearing for an Order of Condition for Over The Top Road drainage project; funded by a federal grant. This project will alleviate hundreds of gallons of water from Forest Dr. and Over The Top Road through an underground pipe system, through a head wall and into the lake. The project was prepared by Mark Stadnicki, Associate Engineer and checked by Anthony Wonseski Jr., P.E. Senior Engineer, SVE Engineering. The project will be done by Tony Erneski Associates of SVE Engineering. He will come to HCC and present the project.

The Highway Department will pay and submit ad, but will work with HCC on wording. Completion of forms should be ready for the Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> HCC meeting.

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- ☒ Paul & Carol Mangiafico: Island Rd. (R10/C/2) 20393/385 (lot listed as land – no number at this time) Requested a building permit to build a home on the site where the original home (collapsed due to weather) had stood. Building Dept. issued a number: 1616. The new home would be built on the original foot-print with a second floor included. A Notice of

Intent must be submitted, house will be at least 30' back from water. An engineered plot plan by a certified engineering company must be submitted to the Zoning Board of Appeals. They will also be requesting permission for a septic system to be dug on lot (R10-A-29) 20358/154 (which they own) that will be beyond 100' from water front. This property is located across the street from the main property where the house will be built.

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☒ Michael Wells: 26 Old Acres Rd. (R23/B/5)

Request to replace an existing retaining 70' long cement block wall (will be built approximately 5'-9' above the required 3' above water level – no building permit required) that is starting to collapse, and add a patio on the level area on top of it. New retaining wall will be about 16" to 20" high. All displaced soil will be hidden behind wall and not removed from site. Mr. Wells will submit a Notice of Intent and return with a DEP number to the next HCC meeting. Additional work: remove an old wood dock; a well house; shed (repair or replace); removal of some trees pushing on the wall. A public hearing will be scheduled and letters sent to abutters: work is within 300' of neighboring properties. Advised to contact the assessor's office to verify abutters list. Abutters must be notified and a public hearing time will be scheduled for 9/22 at 7:30 pm. Fees were paid, \$40 for ad, \$67.50 for NOI.

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☒ Ron Leighton 32 Stoney Hill Rd. (R35/C/11) and Rob Say 36 Stoney Hill Rd. (R35/C/10): Abutters following up on work being done on 30 Stoney Hill Rd. (C. Henchey property). HCC informed them an Enforcement Order was issued and a certified erosion specialist has been hired. A plan is in place to control the erosion. HCC will conduct other site visits to ensure all conditions are being met and when they are, the certified erosion specialist will do the final sign off. After draw down sediment removal from lake bottom will be done. Mark Farrell-Green Hill Engineering-has been hired for the sediment removal. Also, neighbors noticed the well has been dug.

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☒ Ray Boire: 8 Shore Lane (R01/A/10)

He received a permit for a well, contracted Charlton Well to dig the well (about 25' from the water). He (or Charlton Well) must complete a Notice of Intent for the well and return to HCC when DEP number is received. BOH approved for a 2 bedroom septic.

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☒ Anthony Grossi-Logging & Landscaping business

Representing Jeff Covell, owner of 18 Butterworth Rd. (R5/C/1/3). Owner wishes to build a new home on the lot #4. A. Grossi hired to clear approximately an acre of trees. Lot is 3.42 acres (approximately 200'x200') with wetland approximately 190' in the back of the property. This area will not be touched or vegetation disturbed. An NOI will be needed because there is a wetland area on the lot. HCC will schedule a site visit for Friday, August 28 at 11:15am to review the wetland area in question. A. Grossi to attend the next HCC meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 8, 2015.

**Public Hearings: N/A**

**Hearing in Response to Complaint: N/A**

Motion to adjourn 9:45 – M. Beal, 2<sup>nd</sup> F. Gallo. All in favor. Motion passed.

Minutes respectfully submitted.

*Valerie K. Lundin*

Val Lundin, Recording Secretary

CC: Select Board, Town Clerk, Board of Health, Planning Board, Building Inspector, Highway Department, Zoning Board of Appeals, File and HCC Chairperson

*M Beal Chair*