# Holland Conservation Commission 27 Sturbridge Road, Holland MA 01521 Minutes of Conservation Commission held on June 23, 2020

# **NOTE:** Due to the Corona Virus this meeting was held remotely using Go-To-Meeting

**Members Attending Remotely:** Chairperson, Jessica Chaffee; Kaitlin Laabs; Kathy McKenna; Marcia Beal; Sam Spratlin; Dawn Kamay **Members Absent:** None

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Jessica Chaffee, Chairperson

**Approval of Minutes from 6/9/2020:** Sam made a motion to approve the minutes from 6/9/2020. Marcia seconded. All in favor; motion passed with a yes vote from the following members. **Members who verbally voted in favor:** Jessica Chaffee, Kaitlin Laabs, Sam Spratlin, Dawn Kamay, Marcia Beal, Kathy McKenna. **No one verbally opposed.** 

### **Email Correspondence:**

- 6/9/2020: From Maria Caruso requesting information on procedures for cutting down trees. (*Kathy responded and sent her a tree cutting application*).
- 6/12/2020: From Chris McCooe regarding NOI #184-0353. She wanted to know if a COC was not completed because the NOI was planned to be extended every 3 years? (*Kathy responded and asked for the date on the NOI so the meeting minutes could be reviewed. Jessica verified the dates with Chris.*)
- 6/15/2020: From Gerry Basel requesting information on tree removal. (*Kathy responded and sent him an application which he completed*)
- 6/15/2020: Dawn contacted the Finance Committee and forwarded Andy Harhay's response regarding the possibility of using wetlands funds as a donation to the Sichol Property (*Kathy forwarded the email response to ConCom members*).
- 6/15/2020: Expenditure report from Laurie Bartkus forwarded to Dawn Kamay.
- 6/15/2020: Mark Stinson's feedback on the complaint sent by Andrew Pantuosco regarding standing water on Joannie Drive.
- 6/18/202: Pam Beaudry wrote to express concerns about the "makeshift camp town" between Union Rd and the Maine Attraction and unregistered/abandoned vehicles on properties around town and general dumping of things. She asked if Conservation has a responsibility for these issues.
- 6/19/2020: Marcia's concerns about donating money this year for The Sichol Property.
- 6/22/2020: JoAnne Higgins response to Laura which states that the person's questions with regards to Dock Regulations should be addressed by Conservation. The initial email was not included.
- 6/3/2020: A forward from Chris McCooe. LOC Chair requesting that the remaining \$1000.00 of the Lake Oversight Committee 2020 budget to cover any remaining expenses for the Milfoil Treatment was done on Hamilton Reservoir on June 17, 2020.
- Note: All expenditure reports have been forwarded to Dawn.

## **General Correspondence:**

• 4/28/2020: Unable to access the Town Hall to check the mailbox due to Corona Virus restrictions.

**Phone Messages:** No new messages

#### **Review of Tree Removal Applications:**

- Maria Caruso/27 Hamilton: Approved with Mitigation—Sam and Marcia made the site visit. Sam will email the approvals to Caruso's
- **Doug and Olivia Kroncke/31 Shore Drive:** None of the trees were marked. Sam will call and ask to have the trees marked so that a site visit can be made
- Gerry Baseel/10 Forest Court: Approved with Mitigation—Sam and Marcia made the site visit. Sam will email the approvals to Gerry Basel.

#### Kelly and Michael Bedard/29 Lakeridge Drive/Plan Update

**NOTE:** Kaitlin Laabs and Jessica Chaffee will recuse themselves.

**Discussion:** The Bedards met with the well company and were told that the location of the spoils pit needs to be relocated because the well company cannot pump up-hill. Extra barriers have been put in place. Members reviewed the updated plan.

**Motion:** Sam made a motion to approve the revised plan dated 6/22/2020, Kathy seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed.

**Members who verbally voted in favor:** Sam Spratlin, Dawn Kamay, Marcia Beal, Kathy McKenna. **No one verbally opposed.** (Jessica and Kaitlin recused themselves)

#### **Round Table:**

- **Update Lauzon's/42 Over-the-Top:** The work is progressing. Kathy and Dawn made quick site visits. Sam and Kathy observed lakeside and Jessica has also been there to make an site visit.
- **Update on funds for Sichol Property:** Jessica suggested we wait until the land is purchase is finalized and then determine what we might be able to do that will be of benefit to Conservation.
- The Town Warrant for a Conservation Agent: Kate said that the article is up for a vote. Questions were raised as to whether we were expected to make a statement.

#### **Adjournment:**

- Dawn moved to adjourn the meeting, Marcia seconded.
- Members who verbally voted in favor: Jessica Chaffee, Kaitlin Laabs, Sam Spratlin, Dawn Kamay, Marcia Beal, Kathy McKenna. No one verbally opposed.
- Motion passed
- Meeting adjourned at 7:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy McKenna, Secretary