

Holland Conservation Commission

Minutes of Commission meeting held on May 19, 2009.

Present: Mary vandenBerg, Chairperson, Marcia Beal, Patricia Caron, Howard Fife and Nathan Gumlaw.

7:05 p.m. Chairperson called the meeting to order.

The Minutes of May 12, 2009 were read and accepted and will be distributed.

Recorded telephone messages:

1 - A message left by Dawn Merriman of 5 Short Rd. to the HCC and Select board that she "seems to be hearing a pump running 24 hours a day coming from the adjacent property and water was running in Amber Brook until today".

2 - A message from Tom Duffy of 37 Lakeridge Rd. returning Mary vandenBerg's call.

Mary vandenBerg reports:

1 - On May 13th she saw Jesse Riley bring dirt onto PJ's beach with a bobcat and spreading it around. She informed him to cease, which he did.

2 - She spoke to Tom Duffy's neighbors inquiring for Tom's phone number to inquire as to how he intends to protect the lake since his property has been denuded lakeside of all vegetation.

Members signed the Determination of Applicability for Robert Rodrigues of 8 Cove Rd.

7:45 p.m. The scheduled Public Hearing for a Notice of Intent for Kate and Anthony Landers of 3 Alexander Rd., DEP File #184-0234 to repair their septic system near the Quinebaug River was held. Present were Kate Landers and Mark Farrell of Green Hill Engineering. No abutters came. The MA NHESP (National Heritage and Endangered Species Program) was sent notification of the project. The DEP gave instructions that the HCC shall wait for 30 days from the issuance of the DEP File # (received May 13th) before it closes the Hearing in order to await comment from MA NHESP. Mark Farrell reviewed the plot plan. All were in favor of closing the Hearing at 8:05 p.m. with the understanding that the Order of Conditions will be written when comments are received from the MA NHESP.

8:10 p.m. The scheduled Public Hearing for a Notice of Intent for DEP File #184-0236 for applicants Michael and Laurie Lyman for the project at 346 Mashapaug Rd., Map R6-A-11 & 12 for building a 2 bedroom house was held. They want to purchase the property from David Kowalski. Present was abutter James Dusza representing his mother Rachael, Michael Lyman and Mark Farrell of Green Hill Engineering. The property was originally 2 - 50' lots with a house on each, that were destroyed in the past and the lots have since been combined. Mark Farrell reviewed the plot plan. Following discussion, motion was made to accept the project and all were in favor of closing the Hearing at 8:30 p.m.

8:55 p.m. The continued Public Hearing of Rocco Carabetta, DEP File #184-0233, for his project at 19 Craig Rd. was held. Present were Rocco, his son Michael Carabetta and Mark Farrell of Green Hill Engineering. No abutters came. Mark Farrell presented a new plot plan. Following discussion, motion was made to accept the project. All were in favor that the Order of Conditions should include that "any excess excavated material shall be moved well out of the flood plain". All were in favor of closing the Hearing at 9:10 p.m.

9:15 p.m. Sheldon Snieder of 3 Pine Tree Ln., Map R41-B-02 presented his Procedure Sheet #2008-1324 to enlarge attached deck to house from 6' to 10' and add a roof and screened in deck and build stairs to the ground level, with no new drain pipes being required. Motion was made to accept the project. All were in favor and Mary vandenBerg signed the Procedure Sheet.

9:25 p.m. The scheduled Public Hearing for a Notice of Intent for Richard and Cindy Robbins of 230 Stafford Rd., DEP File #184-0237 to repair septic system near Stevens Brook was held. Present were Mark Farrell of Green Hill Engineering. No abutters came. The DEP dictated that "the Commission should consider including a special condition in the Order of Conditions that no work permitted by this order may

begin unless and until the applicant received a sub-surface sewage disposal permit from the Holland Board of Health. Impacts from construction shall be minimized by the placement of appropriate erosion and sedimentation controls during excavation, limiting the placement of fill, confining the removal of vegetation to that necessary for the footprint of the system, and taking other measures deemed necessary by the issuing authority". Mark Farrell reviewed the plot plans. Following discussion, motion was made to accept the project. All were in favor of closing the Hearing at 9:45 p.m.

Ed Paquette, builder dropped off the recorded Order of Conditions for Ray and Kathy Murawski and requested that the Procedure Sheet be signed and given to Jack Keough. Procedure Sheet #2008-1242 was signed by Mary vandenBerg and given to Jack Keough.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:


Patricia J. Caron, Secretary

Copies to: Select Board, Town Clerk, Board of Health, Planning Board, Building Inspector, Highway Surveyor, ZBA, File and HCC Chairperson.

