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Meeting opened at 7:05 P.M.

Present were Mary vandenBerg, James Wettlaufer, Helen Kreiger, Marguerite Choquette and Brad Noble. Absent were Daniel Wrona and Howard Fife. Also present was a special guest, Ms Susan Gillan, D.E.P. Western Region Wetlands Circuit Rider.

Minutes of meeting on 6/12/01 read and approved. Signed by Mary.

Keith Bechier, Army Corp of Engineers park manager at the Brimfield Dam, spoke to the Commission regarding a rumor that he had set a requirement that our gate at the dam must be open 100 turns at all times. He said that there was no such requirement issued by him.

Procedure Sheet #01-0321 issued to Henri Baillarggon, 25 Stony Hill Road, Map R-35, Lot B-14, to replace skylight, rotted rafters and removing shingles on roof. Represented by Stephen Phifer Construction, Inc. We noted that no shingles were to remain on the ground. All approved and signed by Mary.

Continuation of Public Hearing for Holland Tire was opened at 7:30. Mr. Sweetman and Mr. LaMountain (contractor) were present. Brad indicated that Mr. Mark Farrell from Green Hill Engineering called and said that he had another meeting he needed to be at and that he had not had time to re - do the plans for the installation of two tanks. Mr. LaMountain felt that we were holding up the project. We made it very clear that it was their Engineer that was delaying the project, not the HCC. The hearing was continued to June 26, 2001. 8:30 P.M.

Ms Paulette King spoke to the HCC about the run off of water and dirt from the two housing projects on Kimball Hill Road. Property owned by Steve Beyor and are lots #9 and #10. A site visitation \* reviled that a ditch had been dug along the side of the road, the HCC required that the swale be maintained, not a ditch dug. One site had been striped of trees and underbrush which left a bare hill of dirt that would drain into the ditch. Neither site had an anti-tracking pad at the entrance to the site which was required by the HCC. We spoke to a worker and told him that staked hay bales needed to be put in place, anti-tracking pads were needed and the drains needed to be kept opened. A letter will be sent to the owner regarding these infractions.

During the previous week, Mr. Howard Fife, HCC member, had approached Mr. Richard Lucier, 59 Wales Road, requesting that he stop skidding out log lengths of cordwood from the property abutting his through the wetlands near a brook. Mr. Lucier and the abutter, Mr. Don Paldino, came to the HCC. Mr. Lucier presented a letter in which he explained that he and Mr. Paldino had an agreement that he could remove the cordwood. After a lengthily discussion, it was still unclear as to just what was going on and we

agreed that we would make a site visitation. At the site visitation \* it was very clear that the wetlands had been disturbed and that a brook was between where the skidding was taken place and the home of Mr. Lucier. As both properties are along Wales Road, we see no reason why the logs could not be brought to the road side of Mr. Paldino's lot and transported to Mr. Lucier's lot using Wales Road. The Wetlands Protection Act considers 100 feet on each side of a brook like the brook itself and is a resource area and totally protected from any activity. The next 100 feet on each side is considered the buffer zone and comes under the rules and regulations of the Act. A letter will be written to Mr. Lucier explaining our findings.

Procedure Sheet #01-0322 issued to the Holland Congregational Church, Sturbridge Road, Map 13, Lots 7, 9, 10 & 10.1, to clear and install driveway off East Brimfield Rd to construct parking lot and field. Drawing of plan was presented by William Hardy. HCC was concerned about the run off on to East Brimfield Rd and Mr. Hardy will return with a Topographic plan indicating the final grading that will minimize the run off. No further action taken by HCC.

Procedure Sheet #01-0321 (duplicate #) issued to Donald Paldino Jr., 47 Wales Road, Map 17, Lot # unknown., to build a new house. After review of plot plan, all approved and signed by Mary.

Procedure Sheet #01-0324 issued to Marshall Martel, 70 Sturbridge Road, Map R21, Lot B-06, to remove two trees close to house. After review of plot plan and indicating that roots must remain, all approved and signed by Mary.

Mr. Raymond Bagley spoke to the HCC regarding the Sand and Gravel operation going on off Morse road which abuts his property. Mr. Bagley mentioned that a Soper truck was on site. A site visitation \* with Mr. Bagley revealed that the Contractor had dug into the water table leaving a pool on the site. According to Mr. Bagley, the gravel and sand removal was very close to his property line. The slope of the digging in places was 90 degrees, straight up and down, and might be up to 100 feet high, leaving a very dangerous situation. There were signs that motorcycles, or the like, are using this pit. We indicated to Mr. Bagley that this was not a conservation issue and referred him to the Zoning Enforcement Officer.

Procedure Sheet #01-0325 issued to Patrick Byrne, 9 Island Road, Map R10, Lot A-18, to remove 9 trees. Mr. Byrne represented by Mr. David Buccelli. After reviewing the project and indicating that no stumps were to be removed (roots) and nothing was to fall into the lake, all approved and signed by Mary.

Procedure Sheet #01-0326 issued to Nancy & George Gally, 9 Roberts Park Road, Map R-31, Lot D-26.2, to remove upper level of garage and rebuild. After indicating that a Dumpster be on site to handle old material, all approved and signed by Mary.

Procedure Sheet #01-0327 issued to George and Nancy Gally, 2 Roberts Park Road, Map R31, Lot D-26.01, to Replace Roof. After noting that a Dumpster be on site, all approved and Signed by Mary.

Ms. Susan Gillan addressed the Commission. She was very impressed by the way we ran our meetings and the knowledge that we have on each piece of property that was discussed. She was also amazed at the volume of business we are able to handle in a single evening. Susan told us that Mr. Dave Foulis, from the Springfield DEP office will now be reviewing our Notice of Intent's and that they are using a new form, which is computerized and all printed, to respond to submissions. A nice improvement. She gave us copies of some publications from DEP. We thanked her for all her help and appreciated her input and for staying at such a long meeting.

Helen reported that she had received a call concerning a home on East Brimfield road that had cut a ditch from the house to the road swale and that there was water and suds flowing. At the site visitation \* it appeared that the homeowner had put in a sump pump to get water out of the cellar. As this did not appear to be a Conservation issue, we will refer it to the ZEO.

Jim gave a report on his site visitation to the Muirfield project on Union Road. He was unable to determine just when the cutting had been done. In the discussion with the abutter, who had complained at last weeks meeting, it was noted that the piece of equipment parked along the edge of the property was an eye sore but that we had no right to ask the owner to remove it. Brad will call Mark and see if they will move the equipment further into the property.

It was approved by all that Brad is authorized to place an order for furniture. Mary, Marguerite and Brad reviewed the room on Wednesday and placed an order for two tables and another bulletin board like the one we have

Brad to request from Lycott a copy of a map indicating where he "seeded" this year.

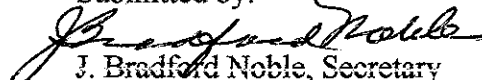
Mary reported that she assisted in the water sampling on Monday, 6/18, 3 locations on the North end and 2 locations on the South end.

Helen made a motion to adjourn, Mary seconded. Meeting closed at 10:20 P M..

\* On Wednesday, June 20, four Conservation Members, James Wettlaufer, Mary vandenBerg, Marguerite Choquette and Brad Noble made 4 site visitations as noted above.



Submitted by:

  
J. Bradford Noble, Secretary

Copies to: Selectmen, Town Clerk, Board of Health, Planning Board  
Building Inspector, Highway Surveyor, HCC Chairperson