

Holland Conservation Commission  
27 Sturbridge Road, Holland MA 01521

Minutes of Holland Conservation Commission (HCC) held on May 10, 2016.

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

**Members Absent:** Jessica Chaffee

**Guests Present:** Mark Stinson

Meeting called to order at 6:32 by Chairperson Marcia Beal.

Motion by M. Beal to waive reading of minutes of April 26, 2016 and accept with amendments. 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Chaffee. All in favor. Motion passed.

**Order of business:**

**Announcements:**

- HCC Ledger report...beginning balance - \$3,200. Balance at this time \$326. \$700 increase in next year's budget.
- M. Beal stated that a site close to Holland Market is being viewed as a possible location for senior housing.
- Lake Oversight meeting scheduled for Monday, May 16th. Meetings to be held on third Monday of the month.
- Reminder for Jeannine Drake. In the event she is not in work, a copy of the agenda should also be cc'd to S. Ashley for posting.
- Re: 184 Mashapaug Road. M. Beal noticed red flags. Not sure what they represent. Will research what they mean. House is vacant.
- Suggestion from M. Stinson: HCC may ask for a meeting prior to construction; photos; recorded Order; request a monthly meeting update during construction and review after 1/2" of rain. These meetings will ensure erosion is not happening and all safeguard i.e., silt fence/hay bales are in place.
- M. Stinson suggested addition of "Signoff Sheet" be added to minutes. (See below)
- M. Stinson discussed the "Agricultural Exemption - 10.04" for homeowners. If homeowner has someone cut down a tree they do not need to file for a permit as long as the wood is kept on the premises for the use of the homeowner. This does not include clear cutting of property.

**Phone Calls:**

- Kerry Pellicane, 28 Old Acres Rd.: inquired about cutting trees. HCC to schedule site visit.
- Mary Elizabeth (student from UMass) requesting HCC info. M. Beal to contact her. May inform her Hadley/South Hadley have a conservation agent for further questions.
- MACC reminders: class #103 and #201 will be given on May 21, 2016 at the Ludlow town hall.
- Roger Renaud, 174 E. Brimfield Rd. Map#1/G/13. Informed C. McCooe that Jalbert Engineering hired EcoTec Inc., Worcester, MA, wetlands specialist to review his property and disseminate wetlands. He will not attend HCC until he has all the required information.
- Re: 30 Stoney Hill Rd. - Henchey property (R35/C/12) (DEP184-0296). Complaint has been received concerning the runoff. It was noted a berm was placed around a catch basin at the top of the hill diverting runoff from the catch basin to the sides of the property. C. McCooe and J. Chaffee to take photos of this area and return to HCC. J. Crowley to write letter; C. McCooe to follow-up with a phone call. Also, waiting to hear when all work has been completed. A site visit will be made to review Orders of Conditions have been met prior to issuing a Certificate of Completion. Question: is drain 100' horizontal?

**Correspondence/Emails:**

- FYI: information for 8th MA Green Careers Conference may be found at [www.MassGreenCareers.org](http://www.MassGreenCareers.org).

**New Business:**

- Re: 220 Mashapaug. J. Crowley concerned as to debris in yard. These issues concern the Board of Health. A letter of concern may be written to the Board of Selectmen if no progress is made.

**Old Business:**

- Re: 33 Lee Ave. Map#R28/C/8, DEP#184-0315. It was noted that the silt fences were collapsing. The Order of Conditions stated the whole peninsula be protected. J. Elmore said each area would be protected as the construction progressed. Re: 50 Stoney Hill Rd. Brian and Robert Zielinski: have not received any information concerning the trees he said were tagged for removal. Beal relayed to them that trees by water were not to be removed other than the one that is falling over. Will sign pink slip.

- Re: Christine Marley. M. Beal continuing to look into whether the property in question is town owned or was donated as a "conservation area".
- Re: 487 Mashapaug Rd. - OBAR Inc. (Drop Yard) (Map#7) DEP#184-D001. J. Patten did not attend meeting as requested. M. Stinson suggested an Enforcement Order be sent - request extent and type of activity. State reasons...i.e., altered resource area; unpermitted tree clearing, ground disturbance in buffer zone, unpermitted stream crossing of a jurisdictional intermittent stream. Include: approximate acreage affected by clearing - 1/2 acre. Approximate distance of bank disturbance - 12'. Original RDA expired. Must apply for a new one.
  - J. Crowley to send a letter (regular mail and certified) stating all the inferences to Mr. Patten and request he hire a wetlands consultant by May 24th and that he attend (with Mr. Patten) the HCC meeting on Tuesday, May 24th. He must bring a plan showing delineation as it originally existed; flag resource area boundaries on property. Following month (June 2016) he attend showing the quantified jurisdictional alteration plan.

#### Walk-ins:

7:53 PM

- Mike Thibeault: Landscape Evolution  
Re: Ray & Joan Boire: 8 Shore Lane (R01/A/10). RDA to install a patio of pavers. M. Thibeault ran an ad but the "date", "place", "time" was not included.
  - M. Thibeault to run a new legal notice. Public Hearing scheduled for 7:00 pm on May 24th.

#### Sign-Off Sheets:

- Re: Tom Jendrysik, 5 Pine Tree Dr., Map# R41/ B/ 3. NOT a Public Hearing...Public Meeting.
  - HCC to sign NOI for replacement of decaying landscape timber wall. Ad had previously been posted.

Public Hearings: N/A at this time

Hearing in Response to Complaint: N/A at this time

Motion to adjourn 8:37 – M. Beal, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Crowley. 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