

Holland Conservation Commission, 27 Sturbridge Road, Holland MA 01521
Minutes: Holland Conservation Commission (HCC), January 26, 2016.

Members Present: Marcia Beal (Chair), Jeanne Crowley, Valerie Lundin, Fran Gallo, and Jessica Chaffee
Members Absent: Chris McCooe

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Chairperson M. Beal

Motion by F. Gallo to waive reading of minutes of January 12, 2016 and accept with correction of meeting date.

Order of business

Correspondence/Phone Calls:

In the absence of C. McCooe, correspondence/phone calls will be reviewed at next scheduled meeting.

New Business:

- Beal: In reference to email from DEP: in reviewing information for Marlene Roach, 8 Old Stafford Rd., Map#21/A/9, DEP#184-0316 for upgrade of existing septic system...map shows a stone crossing. Was it new or existing? J. Crowley confirmed it was existing prior to the Roach's ownership. Was it permitted by HCC? Unknown. M. Stinson notices not all areas on the Order of Conditions were no checked. He will be attending the next meeting and areas of concern will be discussed.
- After discussion on request for additional budget fund that would include the cost of HCC members to attend conservation seminars and webinar classes, M. Beal will pursue requesting and increase on budget to finance committee.
- Will discuss HCC by-laws at a future scheduled meeting. Concern over the amount charged "per diem" for projects that are not completed on the date stated on the Order of Conditions.
- Special Public Hearing scheduled for Tuesday, February 2 at 6:30 PM. This meeting is to hear concerns from abutter that property owner of 16 Roberts Park Rd. is running a pump in the lake in front of his property that is keeping the water from freezing. M. Stinson from DEP will be attending.

Old Business:

- Re: Roger Renaud, 174 E. Brimfield Rd. Map#1/G/13.
J. Crowley to complete and Enforcement Order to cease and desist any additional work on the property. He was asked attend today's meeting of which he did not attend. J. Crowley will do a follow-up on this.
- Order of Conditions signed by HCC for the "Over the Top Road" drainage/road project. (R4 A/1 & A/2) DEP#184-0311.

Walk-Ins:

7:00 PM

Ann Hall, 50 Sturbridge Road. Voiced concerns over trash/litter seen around Holland and at Siog Pond and is there means to add additional trash receptacles around the town. This may come under the Highway Department jurisdiction. Notices litter in the lake - how can this be addressed? Suggested Lake Oversight committee could be made aware of concern. Mentioned firework residue falling lake...was harmful to environment and fish. Discussed weekly water testing. No negative concerns thus far and that the lake water is a constant flow with no stagnation. J. Crowley will do follow up on issues.

Motion to adjourn 7:47 – J. Crowley, 2nd by J. Chaffee. 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