

Holland Conservation Commission
27 Sturbridge Road, Holland, MA 01521

HCC Minutes for May 10, 2022

Note: This meeting was conducted on-line with some participants in the Community Room. The remote participants used Go-To-Meeting. The meeting was recorded.

Members attending: Samuel Spratlin, Agent George Russell, Rick Lundin.

Members Attending Remotely: Marcia Beal, Dawn Kamay and Kaitlin Laabs.

Guest: Town Administrator Stacy Stout.

Kaitlin Laabs called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM.

The agenda was reviewed and the minutes from April 26, 2022 were reviewed. Rick Lundin made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected, Sam Spratlin seconded the motion, and all approved.

Phone messages and e-mails were reviewed. Agent George Russell said there is a complaint about 9 Birch Road, but no work has been done at this point and we need more information.

An e-mail about water test results sent to the HCC. Upon Town Administrator Stacy Stout's recommendation, the results were forwarded to the Board of Health for attachment to their webpage.

The new State Forester will be coming to our May 24th meeting and will discuss notifications and answer any questions we may have.

There are no new tree removal applications.

A site visit will be made to the property of Michael Breor at 9 AM on May 14, 2022 to review work that was done. Kaitlin Laabs, Marcia Beal and Sam Spratlin will meet with the owner.

Marcia Beal submitted a sample folder with photos telling about the HCC and its functions to be used for a Newcomer's meeting to be held at the Community Center. After discussion the Commission decided to wait, make a packet for the new owners, and discuss the final document or documents.

Public Hearings:

7:00 PM – RDA for 65 Morse Road, Heide Cormier owner – The COC was denied because some of the work done was not shown on the plan, such as the new driveway to the front of the house and paving of the originally proposed driveway. She filed this RDA for the additional work, and when and if it is approved, then a COC can be applied for and issued. Kaitlin Laabs made a motion to close the hearing, seconded by Sam Spratlin, and all approved. Sam Spratlin made a motion to approve the RDA as Negative 2 determination, seconded by Dawn Kamay and all approved.

RDA – 25 Craig Road, Lisa and Duane Boudreau owners. The RDA was submitted for the repair and replacement of a septic system. The applicant was not present for the hearing and more information is

needed. Rick Lundin made a motion to continue the hearing to the next meeting, Sam Spratlin seconded and all approved. Agent George Russell will contact the applicant to be present at the next meeting.

A complaint was made about work being done at 8 North Leisure Drive. Agent George Russell said the Commission must require the owners to come in for an RDA for erosion control. Doing this may help the Commission not be liable for any possible future legal action which has been threatened by the complainant. The HCC voted to have the owner of 8 North Leisure Drive submit an RDA as recommended.

8:00 PM – Sam Spratlin made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Rick Lundin and all approved.

The Agent's report is attached to and made part of the minutes.

Marcia Beal
Secretary