

TOWN OF UXBRIDGE
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
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MEETING MINUTES
Monday, July 2, 2012

Please note some items may have been taken out of agenda order.

Minutes of the Uxbridge Conservation Commission regular meeting held on Monday, July 2, 2012, at 7:00 P.M. in the Board of Selectmen's Room, Uxbridge Town Hall, 21 South Main Street, Uxbridge, MA:

Conservation Commission Present: Russell Holden, Dave Lewcon, Michael Potaski, Tracy Tibedo and Donna C. Hardy, Conservation Commission Administrative Assistant
Conservation Commission Absent: Larry Lench

It being 7:00 pm, the meeting being properly posted, duly called and a quorum being present, Chairman Holden called the meeting to order.

OLD BUSINESS: Public Hearings

RDA FY12-09, Maryann Tognazzi at 4 No Way (Map 14, Parcel 1033) – The property owner is building an addition of a garage & mudroom (breezeway) on the left side of the existing residence. Three (3) trees will be removed on the existing lawn area and construction to occur on the existing lawn area. Chairman Holden did a site visit on June 25th. Commissioner Lewcon did a site visit on July 2nd. Ms. Tognazzi, property owner was present and came forward to discuss the property. Discussion and areas of concern included whether the previous vote made at the last meeting was acceptable and if the motion passed or not; if a Notice of Intent application should be file for this property; erosion control to be addressed by Andrews Survey & Engineering, Inc. Following discussion, **MOTION** by Commissioner Tibedo to close the public hearing and issue a Negative Determination for the application listed as “**RDA FY12-08, Massachusetts Department of Conservation & Recreation, Rice City Pond**” and issue a Memorandum of Understanding including the following conditions: 1) Limit of disturbance for the project shall be no more than 15’ from footprint of proposed garage. This limit of disturbance will be delimited by erosion control measures consisting of silt fences & staked straw wattles. 2) Before construction begins, but after erosion control measures have been installed, contact the Uxbridge Conservation Commission to conduct a site inspection. 3) Owner is responsible for ensuring that the property is not w/in the Natural Heritage & Endangered Species priority habitat. Seconded by Commissioner Lench, the motion carried unanimously.

Violations/Potential Violations ~ none

Other:

Uxbridge Wetlands Bylaw - **MOTION** by Commissioner Tibedo to continue discussions for the “**Uxbridge Wetlands Bylaw**” until the next scheduled meeting on July 16, 2012. Seconded by Commissioner Potaski, the motion carried unanimously.

20 Albee Road (Map 41, Parcel 1743) – Mr. Dominic Sanchez, property owner was present and came forward to discuss the property. Mr. Sanchez feels that the wetlands crossing for both 4 Albee Road and 20 Albee Road is the same and wants to be given the same setback as 4 Albee Road which is a two foot (2’) setback no mow zone from the high water mark of the stream. Chairman Holden explained the difference between the properties. Also, for 20 Albee Road, needs to ensure natural succession occurs within 25’ from the 2nd brook on the Eastern side of their property and also that there may not be landscaping debris within 25’ of the same brook. Chairman Holden informed the audience that a Memorandum of Understanding and Enforcement Order was issued for the property. Other discussions and areas of concern included that if the property owner was to

keep 25' away from the wetlands it would act as a show place for the landscaping business and might be a potential selling point from an ecological standpoint. Following discussion, **MOTION** by Commissioner Potaski to allow a two foot (2') setback on either side of the brook for the property located at 20 Albee Road. Seconded by Commissioner Tibedo, the motion failed. Mr. Sanchez objects and will speak directly to the Town Manager or Board of Selectmen.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Hearings ~ none

Violations/Potential Violations ~ none

Minutes:

MINUTES. MOTION by Commissioner Tibedo to continue the Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes dated June 25, 2012 to the next scheduled meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Potaski, the motion carried unanimously.

Other: Processing:

170 Hecla Street (Map 25, Parcel 2442) – Cease & Desist order issued on June 13, 2012. **MOTION** by Commissioner Potaski to ratify the Cease & Desist order for the property located at 170 Hecla Street. Seconded by Commissioner Lewcon, the motion carried unanimously.

Recent site visits:

91 Quaker Highway ((Map 30, Parcel 3382) – Commissioner Potaski did a recent site visit and forwarded the Commission with comments.

Peaceful Pond/Legg Farm/Pout Pond:

The Uxbridge Church of the Nazarene located on 130 Douglas Street in Uxbridge made a generous donation to the Town of Uxbridge Conservation Commission to assist with the cost for the swimming lessons - **THANK YOU!** Swimming lessons are well underway at Pout Pond and are fully staffed. First session: July 16th – July 25th, approximately 30-45 minutes in length and the Orientation Day is July 14th. Second session: August 6th – August 17th, approximately 30-45 minutes in length and the Orientation Day is August 4th.

Pout Pond is still in need of volunteers and community assistance.

The Senior Work-off Program is in effect and has provided much assistance needed.

On June 30th, Pout Pond experienced vandalism again. Destruction of the beach chairs (chairs were broken apart and thrown into the water).

Commissioner Potaski recused himself.

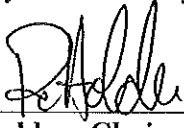
Any other business which may lawfully come before the Conservation Commission –

Mr. Potaski addressed the commission informing that the Board of Directors for the Crown & Eagle apartments will be coming forward in the future to discuss a freestanding gazebo to be placed on the property.

Commissioner Holden commented on the recent Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission meeting held at the Uxbridge Town Hall, including priority development sites and community rails.

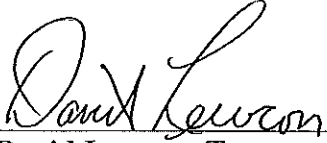
MOTION by Commissioner Potaski to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 P.M. Seconded by Commissioner Lench, the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by Donna C. Hardy, Conservation Commission Administrative Assistant.

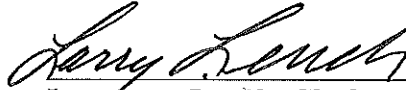


Russell Holden, Chairman

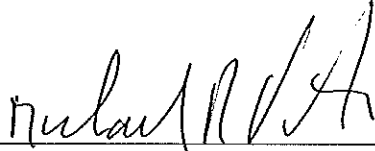
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Lawrence Lench, Clerk



Michael Potaski, Member

Tracy Tibedo, Member

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Date