

Ashby Conservation Commission

Minutes for the Meeting of April 17, 2013

The meeting was opened at 7:30pm with Cathy Kristofferson, Tim Bauman, Bob Leary and Roberta Flashman in attendance.

The minutes of April 3, 2013 were reviewed and accepted unanimously as written.

Treasurer's Report: Bill for the maintenance of ESRI has arrived. Expires at the end of April.

Correspondence:

Email from Denise Renzi, 495 Foster Rd. She asked about erecting a 24ft above ground pool within the buffer zone. This would require a site visit. Tim and Cathy will conduct a visit on Thursday, 4/18/13

Roberta called Bob to investigate machinery near a wetland just north of Kendall Hill Rd. Bob went to investigate. The Highway Dept. breached a beaver dam without a permit from BOH or permission from Cons Comm.

Call from dispatcher at 6:00pm to Chair on 4/17/13 from 3 Park Rd – dog had gone into the fire pond and came out covered with oil. Chair conducted a site visit and found no oil. Talked with owner of property near pond and sensed his displeasure with the loose dog.

Old Business:

Discussion of OOC for Shepherd property on Jewett Hill Rd. Motion made and 2nd to sign the OOC as written. Motion passed unanimously. All signed the OOC. Neil Gorman accepted the OOC on behalf of the applicant.

Graz Engineering submitted a septic design on 3-29-13 for Andy Krook, New Ipswich Rd, Map 3, lot 40.1 They are requesting that the Commission sign-off for a system that they state is 300' from the wetland area bordering Trap Falls Brook. Need a site visit before the May 1st meeting.

David Bozza has requested a site visit and sign-off for a septic replacement at 875 Foster Rd. Need a site visit before the May 1st meeting.

Mt. Watatic Management Committee meeting is scheduled for 4-18-13. Agenda to include discussion of amendment to the Management Plan to deter DCR from designating the area as a "Woodland" – which would allow commercial cutting.

Cathy monitored the Lyman property. Tim reports that Hunter Gelinis, the abutter, died about 6 months ago.

Motion made to continue Terkanian Hearing to May 1st @ 8:00 and 8:30. Need a site visit before May 1st.

New Business:

Alan Pease came before the Commission to discuss the retention of a software consultant during the summer. He would like to issue a purchase order before the end of the fiscal year so that the funds can be encumbered. The consultant would complete the installation of permitting tracking software on the website and as well as on additional computers. He is requesting \$200.00 from the Commission. He would like a vote by May 1st – next meeting.

ESRI is up for renewal of the maintenance contract on ArcView. Vote to purchase. 2 in favor, one opposed, one abstained.

Graz Engineering submitted a septic design for 287 Main St. Needs a site visit before the May 1st meeting.

Scott Hobart, New Ipswich Rd, #93-293, is waiting for plans from Stan Dillis. Probably won't be a hearing until May 15th. We will have to wait to hear from Stan Dillis. Cathy will email to confirm whether it will be May 1st or 15th, since we already have 2 hearings for May 1st.

Mark Archambeault has requested to meet with the Commission on May 1st to discuss Conservation related items on his work plan.

Hearings Scheduled:

May 1, 2013

8:00PM DEP# 93-307 Amended NOI for Terkanian, Erickson Rd. This has been continued from April 17, 2013

8:15PM DEP#93-336 NOI for Terkanian, Erickson Rd. This has been continued from April 17, 2013

8:30PM Possible – Scott Hobart, New Ipswich Rd – amended NOI.

Site Visits Conducted:

Bob Leary investigated digging occurring on Ashby State Rd at turn out near Kendall Hill Rd. Found Highway Department breaching a beaver dam without a permit from Cons Comm or Ashby BOH. Work had been completed by the time he arrived. Debris had been removed from the wetland area.

4/17/13 Tim visited Park Rd and pond after report of oil covering the pond. Found none.

Site Visits Scheduled:

4/18/13 8:00am Denise Renzi, 495 Foster Rd. Cathy and Tim

Site Visits Needed:

Terkanian – tentatively 4/27

Graz and Bozza – tentatively 4/28

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Roberta Flashman