

Ashby Conservation Commission  
Minutes for the Meeting of November 6, 2019  
Ashby Town Hall, 895 Main St, Land Use Room, 7:30 PM

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

The Minutes of the meeting of October 16, 2019 were approved unanimously with minor changes.  
Treasurer's Report: \$262.50 for NOI for 499 Jewett Hill Rd and \$262.50 for NOI for 584 Main St.

**Correspondence:**

- 10/16 - continued correspondence with Theodora Cohen at 1051 West Rd regarding EO/mitigation
- 10/21 - email from Town Clerk re insert for annual Street Listings – nothing to report to town
- 10/22 - email from NRWA regarding grant received for investigation of culvert repair on Harris Rd.
- 10/24 - building permit from Town Clerk for 73 Erickson, NSFH, 100' box checked.
- 10/24 - Chair called Mike Bussell regarding 73 Erickson Rd. who will contact his engineer for appropriate plans and filings. ConCom sign-off on Building Permit withheld.
- 10/25 - Received request for Emergency Certificate for 584 Main St. failed septic.
- 10/25 - Received sign off requests for Lots 2,3,6 & 8 Heywood Rd. – waiting for site visits
- 10/25 - Received CC: of postal mail from FEMA to BOS re: public meetings for new rate maps
- 10/26 - Call from Bruce Adams re 1342 Richardson Rd 93-357 – work completed.
- 10/28 - Emails with Rick Metcalf, Doug Smith and Mike Bussel re: 584 Main St failed septic
- 10/30 - email regarding site visit of Minuteman Farm – reported to Selectmen
- 10/31 - Email from Cornerstone requesting site visit for 712 Foster Rd – Jack Visnooski – waiting for plan and site visit. Asked to stake corners of house and septic system
- 11/1 - Email update from MassDEP Central Division
- 11/3 - Electronic NOI emailed from Three Oaks for 584 Main St emergency septic repair – still waiting for hard copies on this and 73 Erickson.
- 11/5 - Received hard & softcopy of NOI for 499 Jewett Hill Rd from Hannigan Eng.
- 11/5 - Texts with Kimberly Clinton at 80 South Rd regarding status of stabilization efforts

**Old Business:**

EO 80 South Rd, Kimberley Clinton, work in buffer zone, remediation status. Cathy asked for update on remediation. Siltation fencing is still in place and loam and seeding has been done. Need site visit for verification of work.

Reminder MACC monthly webinar: Riverfront Areas and the WPA Regulations -- Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions, Tuesday, November 12, 12:00pm-12:45pm

Minuteman Farm, Piper Road. On October 30<sup>th</sup> Roberta sent the Select Board a summary of the site visit that the Conservation Commission made on Oct 7, 2019.

Meeting with NRWA & Interfluve needs to be rescheduled. This will be a meeting in the Town Hall, not on-site.

Allen Rd – Jamie Van Dyke, has requested an 8A – Cert of Compliance.

**New Business:**

584 Main St., BLR Properties, Emergency Certification, failed septic.

Hannigan Eng, 499 Jewett Hill Rd, NOI, SFH addition. Michael Peck, owner. Asked for everything to be disturbed to be staked. Response: not much disturbance. The Commission will request that the Engineer be on site during the site visit as all of the new structures are at least partially within the 50 ft buffer. Existing stone foundation will be removed and replaced with new concrete foundation. New decks and new patios. New driveway even partially inside the 50 ft buffer.

**Hearings:**

11/6 - 8pm - Stephen Marcoulier, 402 Jewett Hill Rd, NOI, continued. No DEP # Hearing continued to Nov 20 @ 8:15 – awaiting plans for mitigation to be submitted on parcel plan.

**Hearings Scheduled:**

11/20 - 8pm - BLR Properties, 584 Main St, NOI, emergency septic repair

11/20 – 8:15pm – Marcoulier, 402 Jewett Hill Rd

11/20 - 8:30pm - Hannigan Eng, 499 Jewett Hill Rd, NOI, SFH addition

**Site Visits Needed:**

- 402 Jewett Hill Road, Marcoulier, mitigation measures
- 73 Erickson Road, BLR Properties, NSFH
- Lots 2,3,6 and 8 Heywood Rd, Whitman & Bingham, revised septic plans
- 584 Main St, BLR Properties, erosion control install

**Site Visit Log:**

10/24 - 402 Jewett Hill Road, mitigation measures. Tim, Roberta & Cathy met with Steve Marcoulier and Chris Danforth on site. Applicant not prepared. The no-touch zone had been mowed. Nothing had been marked – no center line, no 50 ft buffer, no 100 ft buffer. The Commission left with stipulation that a plan be put on paper as well as permanently marked on the property.

10/29 - 584 Main St. emergency certification request for failed septic. Roberta and Cathy met on site with Mike Bussel to review the plans to replace the system, installed 9 years ago, which had failed. The engineer is requesting an emergency certificate for fear of problems working on the system when the ground is frozen. The new system will be installed in the same footprint as the existing system. Was there no 2<sup>nd</sup> location for the system designed at the time the existing one was installed? Require siltation barriers to be dug in so that they are limit of work as well as barriers to siltation. The hope is that only the soils within the existing impervious barrier will need to be excavated and replaced.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:04pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Flashman