

Ashby Conservation Commission
Minutes for the Meeting of August 21, 2019

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

The minutes of the meeting of August 7, 2019 were accepted unanimously as written.

Treasurer's Report: nothing to report

Correspondence:

- 8/8 – email to 80 South Rd requesting attendance at 8/21 meeting to discuss activity reports
- 8/8 – email to Chris Anderson regarding existing wetland delineation for 499 Jewett Hill Rd (Red Brick House)
- 8/8 – emails with Tim Kelly to set site visit at 848 Piper Rd
- 8/8 – emails with Steve Beauregard for site visit at Elliot Rd
- 8/9 – emails with John Kulik requesting typo repair of their COC for 242 Deer Bay Rd.
- 8/9 – emails with KP Law to discuss 1051 West Rd
- 8/13 – email with Mary McMurray to follow up on issuance of COC for 1392 West Rd.
- 8/16 – email to Rob Bruillette about the lot on Whitney Rd.

Old Business:

Crocker LAND project status. Roberta attended the site visit with Bob O'Connor, EOE, on August 21, 2019 @ 1:00PM. She walked the Ashby fields on the Ashby property and Jewell Hill. The Trustee's manager for Central Mass was also there.

Update on 1051 West Rd, owners are Alex & Theodora Cohen. The Town Lawyer wrote a letter to the Cohen's lawyer, which Roberta forwarded to the Cohens. She then received a call from the Town Lawyer informing her that the Cohen's were no longer employing the services of their lawyer.

The Commission's met with Steve Beauregard on Eliot Rd to discuss water issues with the road. The road has greatly widened, which has increased the water that needs to be drained from the road. This is really not a wetlands issue.

A repaired COC was sent to John Kulik for 242 Deer Bay Rd.

Issued the COC for 1392 West State Rd, McMurray.

Issued the OOC for 142 Deer Bay Rd.

Enforcement Order for 80 South Rd, Kimberley Clinton, work in buffer zone, status and new report. EO remains in effect until loaming and seeding are complete and the area is stable. Ms Clinton was to appear the meeting tonight, but did not show up.

New Business:

Alan Carpenito, 474 Jones Hill Rd, would like to build a barn on the property. The Commission set a site visit for Friday, August 23 @ 9:30 to view the site. The Commission asked that he stake the proposed barn.

It appears that the hard drive of the Commission's computer has malfunctioned, as the computer could not be started up at the meeting. Roberta made a motion, and it was seconded, to allow the computer to be checked/fixed. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor.

Hearings:

none

Site Visits Conducted:

August 13, 2019

Elliot Rd – Cathy, Roberta and Bob met on site with Steve Beauregard to review drainage problems. The road has become significantly wider, thus increasing the amount of water that has to be drained. The culvert is ½ clogged. However, none of this is in a wetland or a buffer to a wetland

848 Piper Rd - Cathy, Roberta and Bob met on site with Tim Kelly to review septic plans for a replacement system. All the trees will be removed between this house and the neighbor's house. There were no wetlands within 100 ft of the site to be excavated for the system. Bob signed the plans.

99 Deer Bay Rd - Cathy, Roberta and Bob met on site with John Hourihan to view the area. All is now stabilized. Need to issue a COC for DEP 93-371. Send to John @ PO Box 399, Ashby.

402 Jewett Hill Rd - Cathy, Roberta and Bob met on site with Steve Maroulier. It was clear that he worked within a resource area as this was the same area that the prior owner of the property paid a fine to DEP for working within without a permit. Steve will file an NOI by September. He will put up siltation barriers ASAP.

Site Visits Scheduled:

August 23, 2019 –

1051 West Rd. Theodora Cohen

98 Heywood Rd, Matt Johnson

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34pm

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Flashman