

Ashby Conservation Commission
Minutes for the Meeting of September 4, 2019

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

The minutes of the meeting of August 21, 2019 were reviewed and accepted unanimously as written.

Treasurer's Report: \$4.05 for certified mail, \$180 for repair of laptop – new drive, \$7.55 certified mail.

Correspondence:

- 8/22 - Town Clerk received Request for Determination of Applicability from 1051 West Road
- 8/25 - email from Richard Lehtola requesting pre-con for Lots 3 & 4 County Rd.
- 8/29 - all depts email from Town Clerk regarding Open Meeting Law Meeting Posting Guidelines
- 8/30 - email from DEP with SOC for 4 Greenville Rd upholding the Commission's denial of the project!
- 9/1 - email from Harold Chattaway regarding arsenic from old orchard at Northfield Rd.
- 9/4 - call from Matt Amadon at WBSF regarding pond drawdown for dam repair. Normal opening of the dam. Cathy will call and discuss with Matt.

Old Business:

Update on 1051 West Rd: Alex & Theodora Cohen, work with jurisdictional wetlands, EO & RDA. The Commission received an RDA for an agricultural project on the property, but so far have not received permission to conduct a site visit. Alex Cohen appeared before the Commission tonight. Theodora will call to set up a site visit within the next week.

Cathy has organized the baseline for Harris Rd/Caton Hill North.

EO 80 South Rd, Kimberley Clinton, work in buffer zone, status and new report of activity. She did not come to the meeting 2 meetings ago, nor did she appear tonight. 8/27 text from Ms. Clinton about blue cherries from trees and toxicity.

Elliot Road stormwater issues. Cathy met with Paula and pointed out that it was not our issue. Met with the neighbor closer to Jones Hill Rd and also discussed that the issue was also not our issue. Closer to Jones Hill Rd and closer to the wetlands IS our issue. But, it has to have something in writing before allowing her to redo the limits of the road.

New Business:

Review Ashby's Open Meeting Law Posting Guidelines. Posts inside and outside the Town Hall. Best done with an email to the Town Clerk.

Brett Pomerleau, 864 Turnpike Rd., would like to get COC for property. Would like to build a garage. Has an area that may be almost 100 ft from wetlands, closer to the road. The Commission will await the form 8A.

Ed McSweeney, Hollis, NH. Looking at the lots on County Rd, Lehtola. Would like to change the plans to put in a shared driveway between Lot 2&3. Asked for signature on Lot 4. Tim signed the bldg permit application.

Tim received a call from someone requesting permission to use a metal detector on the South Rd Fields. Motion made to refuse all requests that result in digging on town properties and motion 2nd. Vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Hearings/Appointments Scheduled:

Request for Determination, 1051 West Rd. Request for site visit so far has been denied.

Site Visits Scheduled: none

Site Visits Needed:

80 South Rd - report of refuse washed into wetland, excavating equipment in wetland resource area

1051 West Rd - work within the buffer zone; no ag exemptions applicable; no permission, EO issued

Site Visits Conducted since last meeting:

8/23 9:00 : 98 Heywood Rd; work within the buffer zone within existing lawn/driveway; Tim, Bob, Roberta and Cathy. Matt Johnson will be using screw-in posts for the spiral staircase. Tim signed the building permit. Discussed with the owners where to place wetland bound signs so that they could apply for COC.

8/27 9:00/2:30 : Lots 3 & 4 County Rd, pre-construction site visit, Richard Lehtola; Bob, Roberta and Cathy. Upon first visit the sites were using plastic enclosed straw wattles and siltation fencing was installed incorrectly. Returned back later in the day to inspect correctly installed siltation fencing and see that all plastic enclosed wattles had been removed. Gave the "OK" to start the well drilling. Will have to return when all siltation fencing is in place.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Flashman