

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES**

May 1st 2018 at 7:00pm

Houghton Building, 697 Main Street

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPOINTMENTS

REQUEST FOR A DETERMINATION OF APPLICABILITY (RDA); NOTICE OF INTENT (NOI), ABBREVIATED
NOTICE OF RESOURCE AREA DELINEATION (ANRAD), ORDER OF CONDITIONS (OOC)

Present: (Chair) Brian Berube, Jeffrey Bryan, Lori Stephenson, Rebecca Longvall (Conservation Agent)

Absent: Emily Winner

7pm The Conservation Commission opened the Public Meeting. The first Public Hearing addressed the Request for Determination submitted by Jennifer Steward-Owen for the proposed removal of 3 dead trees, four live trees, a vegetable garden and a split rail fence with a natural barrier. The applicant expresses the trees are a threat to the structures on the property but will have an arborist assess the health to determine if a full removal or pruning would be necessary to remediate. The natural barrier was suggested to be native and not consisting of invasive species such as bittersweet.

Chair Brian makes a motion to close the public hearing. Jeff seconded, all unanimously approve. Chair Brian makes a motion to issue a Negative 3 Determination. Jeff seconded, all unanimously approve.

Chair Brian opened the hearing for 100 East End Rd. The Commission reviewed the MassDEP comments. The grass layer and loam was specified to be deposited outside the resource area, buffer area or offsite. The applicant was not present.

Chair Brian moves to close the public hearing.

Chair Brian makes a motion to close. Jeff seconded, all unanimously approve.

Chair Brian makes a motion to approve the minutes from the April 24th meeting. Jeff seconded, all unanimously approve.

Project updates consisted of review of the Volunteer Day and looking forward to the Deer Transect Survey.

Chair Brian continued the public hearing regarding 232 Harvard Rd. Jack Maloney was present with the applicant. The commission reviewed the requested extended plans which depicted and specified the work to be done regarding remediation and garage removal.

Chair Brian makes a motion to close the hearing. Jeff seconded, all unanimously approve.

Chair Brian makes a motion to approve the notice of intent and issue the Order of Conditions for 232 Harvard Rd with plan revision date of 5/1/2018.

Dan Gaffney was present to represent the Bolton Conservation Trust in discussing potential remediation activities and Conservation project ideas for Bowers Springs Conservation Area. Also there were inquiries regarding Town Common closing OOC.

Chair Brian moves to close the Public Meeting. Jeff seconded, all unanimously approve.