

Bolton Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes



Date:	Tuesday, February 4 th 2020		
Time/Location	7:00 p.m. Houghton Building, 697 Main Street		
Commissioners Present:			
Guests:	Peter and Kayleigh Callahan, David Sadowski, Conor Nagle, Greg Matte, Joe Lynch, Bayside Engineering		
Next Meeting:	Tuesday, February 18th 2020 7:00pm, Houghton Building, 697 Main Street		

Agenda Items

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1.	Greg Matte – All Trails Club Summary of the All Trails Club initiative; to encourage the use of all trails not just the trails conveniently located near a resident's residence. Greg has measured all trails in town totaling 47 miles of trails (compare to 65 miles of roadway as sited by DPW Director within a town of 20 square miles total)	Accepted and encouraged participation							
2.	Request for Extension Order of Conditions – 401 Main Street New property manager Site visit with Conservation Administrator regarding OOC set to expire in March 2020	Chair Brian made a motion to issue the extension OOC for an additional 2 years. Emily seconded; all unanimously approve.							
3.	Notice of Intent – 164 Green Road - proposed addition including attached garage Proposed area consists of lawn at the top of a slope within the Adjacent Upland Resource Area, Riverfront Area, bordering vegetated wetlands (BVW) and BVW 100' buffer. DEP#112-685 has been assigned to the project with no included comments. The applicant and their representative were present to give a summary of the proposed work. Direct abutter Conor Nagle of 165 Green Road was present to support the project. The Commission carried out a site visit on January 27th 2020. The Commission noted the revisions to have all work outside 25' from the resource area and on existing maintained lawn areas.	The Commission requested the applicant update plans to show: 1) Erosion control wattle/silt fence detail 2) Limit of work 3) Pervious driveway material detail 4) Planting detail 5) Infiltration system location and detail							
	The applicant expressed the limitations of the site specific to ledge, septic, and well locations. The commission inquired about the driveway material, erosion controls, limit of work, seed mix, and vegetative buffer to resource areas. The applicant suggested infiltrating all (100%) roof runoff through the installation of a drywell or other infiltration system. The Commission inquired about enhancing the area of lawn considering the close proximity to the perennial stream and the disturbance within the inner riparian area given the exemption requirements. The applicant requested a continuance until the next meeting.	Chair Brian made a motion to continue the public hearing until the next meeting of the Conservation Commission on February 18 th 2020 at 7pm in the Houghton Building. Emily seconded; all unanimously approve.							

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4.	Notice of Intent - Wattaquadock Hill Road – proposed replacement of a partially collapsed stone and HDPE culvert on Wattaquadock Hill Road over an Intermittent Stream Bayside Engineering and DPW Director, Joe Lynch were present to provide a summary of the proposed work to replace a partially collapsed colonial stone culvert with a box culvert with a gravel floor for relative species crossing. An emergency permit was issued upon findings of collapsed culvert giving them a year to complete the work.	Chair Brian made a motion to continue the public hearing until the next meeting of the Conservation Commission on February 18 th 2020 at 7:15pm in the Houghton Building. Jeff seconded; all unanimously approve.			
	The proposed work is to take place within the driest part of the season. The proposed limit of work will be marked and established on site. Compost filter tube and silt fence are the proposed methods of erosion control. The roadway intersection is also being redesigned for flow of traffic but will result in increased pervious/vegetated buffer and moving the roadway away from the resource area. No floodplain alteration is proposed as part of this project. The applicant requested a continuance until the next meeting of the conservation commission.				
5.	Taggart updates – Appraisal started				
6.	Mail – Forest Cutting Plan – Dipietro Teele Road property MACC Annual Environmental Conference February 29 th 2020 – registration open	Commission shared the same comments as the last plan specific to requiring restoration. The court ordered work has yet to be completed.			
7.	Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness program – Conservation Administrator and Town Administrator will be attending the Grant Announcement Event in New Bedford on February 5 th 2020. Environmental Forum – positive feedback encouraging the continued conversation about climate adaptation and resiliency within the Town of Bolton				
8.	Volunteer Land Steward Position - We are sorry to hear that our Volunteer Land Steward, Jeffrey Bryan will respectfully be stepping down to spend more time on family matters. We would like to extend a huge heartfelt thank you for his time and commitment maintaining and assisting in managing over 2,000 acres of open space throughout the Town of Bolton. He has always been and continues to be enthusiastic in his volunteer efforts. He is truly a team player and you will be missed as the Volunteer Land Steward.				
9.	Minutes – Chair Brian made a motion to approve the minutes from the public hearings dated 12/23/2019, 1/14/2020. Jeff seconded; all unanimously approve.				
10.	Chair Brian made a motion to close the public meeting of the Conservation Commission January 14 th 2020. Bill seconded, all unanimously approve.				

Approved Meeting Minutes

Initials					
Commissioner	B. Berube	K. McNamara	E. Winner	W. Payne	J. Bryan