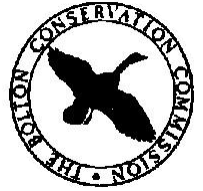




Bolton Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes



Date:	Tuesday, November 17 th 2020
Time/Location	7:00 p.m. Zoom (remote participation)
Commissioners Present:	Chair Brian Berube, Emily Winner, William Payne, Jeff Bryan (Conservation Administrator, Rebecca Longvall)
Guests:	Jim Geraghty, Richard Davis, Mark O'Hagan
Next Meeting:	Tuesday, December 1 st 2020 7:00pm, Zoom Remote Participation

- Continued Notice of Intent – Century Mill Road Map 3D Parcel 75 – *proposed construction of three single family homes and widen and pave an existing gravel driveway***
The Conservation Administrator provided a brief update to the commission related to the annotations highlighted at the last meeting on the abutters' properties on the proposed plan. The annotation stated no wells within 100' of property line. The Conservation Administrator spoke with the Board of Health who clarified the annotation. The annotation does not restrict the ability to place a well within 100' of the property line rather providing the note for orientation purposes specific to existing structures on the abutting properties. The applicant requested a continuation until the December 1st public meeting of the conservation commission via email prior to the meeting.
Chair Brian made a motion to continue the public hearing until Tuesday, December 1st 2020 at 7:00pm for the proposed project to be located at Map 3D Parcel 75. Jeff seconded; all unanimously agree. Roll call vote to continue: BB, EW, WP, JB unanimous, YAY
- Request for Certificate of Compliance – 460 Main Street, Map 4.D Parcel 28**
Applicant David Kane submitted an electronic and hard copy of the revised plans as requested by the Conservation Commission at the last meeting.
Chair Brian made a motion to issue a Certificate of Compliance for 460 Main Street, Map 4.D Parcel 28 with ongoing conditions taken from the issued order of conditions as drafted. William seconded; all unanimously agree. Roll call vote to continue: BB, EW, WP, JB unanimous, YAY
- Request for Determination of Applicability – 79 Nashaway Road – *proposed removal of vegetation, add fill to gravel, and minimal grading in the side yard of the existing single-family home.***
Chair Brian stated if the applicant refiles with the same scope of work with a plan representing said scope of work the commission will waive the filing fee. However, at this time there are still uncertainties regarding the scope of the project that have yet to be addressed.
Chair Brian made a motion to issue a Positive 1 Determination for the proposed project located at 79 Nashaway Road. Jeff seconded; all unanimously agree. Roll call vote to continue: BB, EW, WP, JB unanimous, YAY
- Minutes – Chair Brian made a motion to accept the minutes as drafted from the October 20th and November 4th 2020 public meetings of the conservation commission. Emily seconded; all unanimously agree. Roll call vote on motion to continue: BB, KM, EW, WP, JB unanimous, YAY**

5.	<p>Housing Production Plan Presentation by Mark O’Hagan</p> <p>This plan is a process recommended by the DHDCD creating the required % of affordable and Affordable housing inclusive of low- and moderate-income housing opportunities within the Town of Bolton. Demographic, economic and social data was shared related to the town to provide background information. The Housing Production Plan will be open for public comment for a thirty-day period after being posted as such to the town’s website.</p> <p>Emily winner highlighted the need for smaller homes (cottages or capes) other structures that are not multiple unit buildings. However, she highlighted there is a need for those as well. The smaller homes for moderate income families that would still have a yard which would allow for the underserved population of seniors (65+) and younger families (30-) to be able to become part of the community and not be pushed out. The rest of the commission members echoed similar concerns and inquiries.</p>
	<p>MVP Update:</p> <p>Second Core Team Meeting held this week Stakeholder meetings are continuing Team looking for names and contacts to expand upon stakeholder groups. Project website link is located on the Town Conservation Page under climate adaptation.</p> <p>Taggart Update:</p> <p>The team is working on closing The Town of Bolton has received the LAND grant in the amount of \$308,000.00 for the acquisition of the Taggart Parcel off of Forbush Mill Road. This amount will assist in offsetting the cost approved at town meeting.</p>
	<p>Conservation Area Updates:</p> <p>TerraCorps member will be working to improve our Invasive Species Management Program. This will be on the Conservation Commission page of the Town Website.</p> <p>The conservation administrator noted that there may be an increase in traffic again on the conservation properties. Many properties do not afford the room to congregate nor to support many people in one area. One of the most popular properties does, Bower Springs. She mentioned that another safety precaution if necessary, would be to place a temporary leash requirement for dogs at locations where there is higher traffic. This reduces the risk that individuals will be approaching one another to retrieve their off-leash dogs or congregating in large groups after doing so. This is not in place currently but does remain a tool that the commission has the ability to utilize if it becomes necessary.</p> <p>Bolton Trails Committee has published the new trails guide thanks to the Bolton Conservation Trust! They are available for pre-order by contacting the Bolton Conservation Trust website or by visiting the Town Clerk’s office. Thank you to all individuals who assisted in the update!</p> <p>After Speaking with Board of Health staff it is important to highlight the new order: Masks & Face-Coverings: Governor's COVID-19 Order #55 (issued November 2, 2020, effective November 6, 12:01 AM) Revised order requiring all persons to wear face-coverings in all public places, even where they are able to maintain 6 feet of distance from others. Allows for an exception for residents who cannot wear a face-covering due to a medical or disabling condition, but allows employers to require employees to provide proof of such a condition. Allows schools to require that students participating in in-person learning provide proof of such a medical or disabling condition.</p>

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| 11. | Chair Brian made a motion to close the public meeting of the Conservation Commission Wednesday, November 4 th 2020. Jeff seconded; all unanimously approve.
Roll Call Vote on motion: BB, EW, WP, JB unanimous, YAY |
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