

## **Bolton Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes**



Date:	Tuesday, August 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2021
Time/Location	7:00 p.m. Zoom (remote participation)
<b>Commissioners Present:</b>	Chair Brian Berube, William Payne, Lori Stephenson, Emily Winner, (Conservation Agent, Rebecca Longvall)
Guests:	Seth Donohoe (Dillis & Roy), Lis Hutchins (75 Moderator Way), Gillian
	Glassanos, Lauren Cilley (Long Hill Road)
<b>Next Meeting:</b>	Tuesday, August 17 <sup>th</sup> 2021 7:00pm via Zoom

1. Request for Partial Certificate of Compliance – 258 Hudson Road, Keyes Farm Subdivision, Map 3.D Parcel 9, 56, 74 (formerly 9 & 9A) – A partial request for certificate of compliance is being requested to remove perimeter erosion controls

Seth Donohoe of Dillis and Roy Civil Engineering, (representing Keyes Farm, LLC) was present to provide a summary of the request for partial certificate of compliance (RCOC) and address the commission's inquiries. Seth stated this request was only for the proposed perimeter control removal shown on the submitted plans (displayed at the meeting). He noted the reasoning as expressed in the RCOC submittal including clean water pooling against the erosion and sediment controls along the outlet side of basins 1 and 2. Seth and the Conservation Agent conducted a site visit on August 2<sup>nd</sup> 2021. The Chair requested the Conservation Agent about provide an update. She provided a summary of her observations; the erosion blanket since installation has been effective and supported initiating growth along the steep slope of basin 3. Areas along the North western side/perimeter of lots 17 - 13 shows no to miniscule materials along controls. Basin 2 has initiating growth with evidence of the overseeding along the stump grinding material slope. She did express concerns about any ongoing work to be done within the basin 2, 3 and potential impacts to the adjacent resource areas should the control be removed in this area, until that area is final/fully stabilized. Areas adjacent to basin 1 within that drainage easement were stable at the time of the site visit along with the remediation area between basin 1 and the inlet side of Hudson Road culvert. Chair Brian opened the discussion to public comment; Lis Hutchins of 75 Moderator Way was present to note material had been a dump truck load of dirt dumped on lot 17 inquiring if this was of concern related to some landscaping. Seth stated through the Chair he was not aware of the details related to what the resident was highlighting as he is unfortunately not part of those conversations at this time. Chair Brian inquired if Seth's clients would be amendable to revising their request to specific locations of perimeter controls vs. all on site. Seth state his clients are interested in working toward compliance. Seth stated after his visits following rain events and observed substantial water being held back and had concerns about the barriers holding back water for days which may result in a breach. Emily inquired about basin 2 stabilization related to removal of erosion controls. The Conservation Agent clarified her concern was specific to ongoing work on site, controls should be in place until full compliance and stabilization of basins 2 and 3 related areas then have the developer or representative come back to request a full Coc at that time. The Order of Conditions is still in place; therefore, the site must still remain in compliance with the existing Order regarding any work on site. The Commission still has the ability to request items to keep or bring the project into compliance even after this time of allowing removal of specific locations of erosion controls.

Chair Brian made a motion to issue a Partial certificate of compliance specific to the removal of erosion controls with the caveat that the areas for which the commission feels it is appropriate to remove said erosion controls be limited to the basin 1 exterior, lot 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, as amended through discussions this evening and additionally outside of the drainage easement on Lot 12. EW seconded; all unanimously AYE.

Roll Call Vote: LS, BB, WP, EW AYE

2. 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 applicant requested via email to have the conservation commission continue the public hearing until the next meeting of the conservation commission in order to provide a report and comments back to the commission.

Chair Brian made a motion to continue the public hearing until Tuesday, August 17<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 7:30pm for the proposed project located at Map 3.D Parcel 75. Bill seconded; all unanimously AYE.

Roll Call Vote: LS, BB, WP, EW AYE

3. Request for Determination of Applicability – 84 Frye Road, Map 2.B Parcel 54 - Proposed 18x18' sunroom with roof and concrete footings submitted by Chris Western of Red Oak Renovations

A site visit was conducted and the Chair provided a summary of observations on site.

The commission moved

Chair Brian made a motion to close the public hearing for the proposed 18x 18' screen room with roof and concrete footings submitted by Chris Western of Red Oak Renovations. Emily seconded; all unanimously, Aye.

Roll Call Vote: LS, BB, WP, EW AYE

Chair Brian made a motion to issue a negative three determination with the following conditions; 1) Run off shall be directed away from the wetland resource area or infiltrated through a drywell also away from the wetland resource area. 2)Limit of Work shall remain the area inside existing fencing around disturbance area. 3) Stockpiling shall not occur within jurisdictional areas of the Conservation Commission specific to public hearing for the proposed 18x 18' screen room with roof and concrete footings submitted by Chris Western of Red Oak Renovations. William seconded; all unanimously, Aye.

Roll Call Vote: LS, BB, WP, EW AYE

- 4. Minutes Chair Brian made a motion to accept the minutes as drafted from the July 27<sup>th</sup> 2021 public meeting of the conservation commission. Emily Seconded; all unanimously agree. Roll Call Vote: LS, BB, WP, EW AYE
- 5. Vote Chair Brian made a motion to recommend to the Board of Selectmen, the appointment of Gillian Glassanos to the Bolton Conservation Commission. Emily seconded; all unanimously approve. Roll Call Vote: LS, BB, WP, EW AYE
- 6. **Vote** to consider requesting funds from the developer of 147 Long Hill Road Common Driveway, Walter Eriksen in the amount of \$2,450.00, as referenced in the proposal letter dated July 19th 2021 Regarding "Peer Review Final Inspection Wetland Mitigation Area, 147 Long Hill Road, Bolton, MA MassDEP File No. 112-0620" from the Conservation Commission's peer reviewer on this project, Amy Ball of Horsley Witten Group. Conservation Agent provided a summary of the purpose of the vote.

Chair Brian made a motion to request requesting funds from the developer of 147 Long Hill Road Common Driveway, Walter Eriksen in the amount of \$2,450.00, as referenced in the proposal letter dated July 19<sup>th</sup> 2021 Regarding "Peer Review – Final Inspection Wetland Mitigation Area, 147 Long Hill Road, Bolton, MA MassDEP File No. 112-0620" from the Conservation Commission's peer reviewer on this project, Amy Ball of Horsley Witten Group. Emily seconded; all unanimously approve.

Roll Call Vote: LS, BB, WP, EW AYE

Lauren Cilley was present and inquired if this was the process for confirming compliance of the development. The Conservation Agent clarified that this process is specific to the peer review and wetland remediation areas. The project will require a certificate of compliance to formally close out the project with the conservation commission.

7. **Conservation Property Updates:** Maintenance and management items **Still River Trail Steward Update:** 

signage will be installed and opened to the public by the beginning of September. Thank you to our intern Brianna Carlisle for her work this summer.

\*The funding for this opportunity is provided by the Nashua, Squannacook, and Nissitissit Rivers Wild & Scenic Stewardship Council through the National Park Service under CFDA: 15.962 – National Wild and Scenic Rivers System\*

**Bowers Springs** – Tom Denney Nature Camp reported branches repeatedly falling near camp. The property is first and foremost a conservation property and these areas are mostly outside of existing trails on site. The Commission members stated they will visit the property and inquired if the Tree Warden had been out to review the circumstance.

The abutter will be working on a stone wall within the coming months along the perimeter of their property adjacent to the parking entryway off of Flanagan Road this has been reviewed and is within their surveyed property line.

**Board Re-organization opportunity for FY22** – *vote to be carried out at next meeting.* 

**MVP Program Action Grant Project** – Apple Country Natural Climate Solutions completed information is available via the project website: <a href="https://climateresilient.wixsite.com/applecountry/project-data-viewer">https://climateresilient.wixsite.com/applecountry/project-data-viewer</a>
Final report may also be found using the project website or this link:
<a href="https://3673b23c-7171-47f0-b91c-8baa749785c4.filesusr.com/ugd/29afe1">https://3673b23c-7171-47f0-b91c-8baa749785c4.filesusr.com/ugd/29afe1</a> 877358fd47e943f793248d84655948e5.pdf

8. Chair Brian made a motion to adjourn the public meeting of the Conservation Commission Tuesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> 2021. Emily seconded; all unanimously AYE.

Roll Call Vote: LS, BB, WP, EW AYE