



MINUTES
 STERLING CONSERVATION COMMISSION
 REGULAR MEETING-August 18, 2009
 BUTTERICK BUILDING- ROOM 209 7:30 PM

In attendance: Chairman Barbara Roberti, Vice Chair Michael Pineo, Mr. David Mosley, Mr. Scott Michalak, Mr. Joseph Curtin. Associate member Steve Pavolwich. Field Agent Matthew Marro.

Absent : Mr. Robert Schnare, Ms. Susan Valentine.

Secretary's Report for July 2009 – Minutes from the previous meeting were approved by a motion from Mr. Pineo and a second by Mr. Curtin and a unanimous vote with Mr. Michalak abstaining.

Treasurer's Report for July 2009

1.Chapter 61 Release Requests.

2.Meeting Notices and communications.

3.Old Business/Enforcement.

4.New Business. – Trails Grant – After discussion the Commission decided to reapply for the grant using the same application previously used by a motion from Mr. Pineo and a second by Mr. Michalak and a unanimous vote.

4.1 Emergency Order- Mr. Marro recommended that DCR be given an emergency 30 day order for the placement of sandbags on the Twine Road DCR property. Mr. Marro has been evaluating the site with DCR and noted that the sand bags are necessary to divert waters the beaver activity has caused which is flooding an abutting landowners basement and threatening a drinking water well.

Mr. Mosley moved to issue the permit, with Mr. Pineo seconding. The Commission approved unanimously. Mr. Marro will monitor for enforcement.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

8:00 PM : Pursuant to MGL ch 131 s 40 as amended there will be a public hearing on a notice of intent by Laurence Davis for the construction of a septic system within the buffer zone at 165 Redstone Hill Road

Chris Mackenzie from Whitman and Bingham Associates appeared before the Commission and oriented the commission to the project and the site specifics inclusive of the location of wetland. He did note that some of the old system will be left in place and some will be removed.

Mr. Marro reviewed the wetland delineation and the plan and recommended a standard Order of Conditions. He further recommended that the variance for the system needed by the Board of Health be entered into the file. He had no objections to leaving only a portion of the old system in place as he found no potential impacts to wetland.

Mr. Curtin moved for issuance of a standard order of conditions based on the submitted plans dated July 20, 2009. It was noted that although the application had the address listed as 165 the actual system is at 157. Mr. Mosley seconded and the Commission approved unanimously.

8:10 PM : Pursuant to MGL ch 131 s 40 as amended there will be a public hearing on a notice of intent by Atlanta Gadoua for the construction of a single family home within the buffer zone at 59 Lakeshore Drive.

This Hearing has been continued to September 15, 2009 at 8:00 PM by the applicant's request. Mr. Marro has reviewed the meeting schedule with the applicant's representative Daniel Wolfe, P.E. from David E. Ross Associates.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM