



Town of Sterling

Conservation Commission

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Attending: Chair Roberti, Mr. Mosely, Mr Michalak, Mr Pavlowich.

MINUTES

STERLING CONSERVATION COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING-January 15, 2019

BUTTERICK BUILDING- Basement Level (B03) 7:30 PM

1. Meeting Notices and communications.
2. Minutes from the previous meeting
3. Old business- Follow-up Items from Warrant articles (If any)
4. New Business-
 - 4.1 Orchardist update for Waushacum Meadow
5. Enforcement/Investigation- Investigation of flooding situations at Justice Hill Road Mr. Marro informed the commission that his investigation of the Justice Hill Road area revealed a myriad of problems many being caused by development of single family lots over time and the country drainage originally placed in the road network not being able to adequately handle it. He is going to have the Town Administrator and DPW Superintendent work with him on potential long term solutions
6. Certificates of Compliance/Extension permits – None to present
- 7 Agents Report
 - 7.1 Erosion Control on Hall Ave-
 - 7.2 Forest Stewardship grant and Forest cutting scope of work (proposed) – Gary Gouldrup had six logging firms tour the Tuttle Road site for bidding. He is expecting to see bids come in for the end of the week.
 - 7.3 Treasury Report – update – Mr Marro presented the commission with the latest hard copy report on accounts to the commission for review.
8. Adjourn- The meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM by a motion of Mr. Michalak and a second by Mr. Mosley.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

DOCUMENTS PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION WAS A WPA FORM 1 AND A NARRATIVE WITH ORTHOS BY PEDER PEDERSON

7:40 PM: In accordance with MGL ch 131 s 40 as amended, there will be a Public Meeting on a Request for a determination of applicability a request for a determination by the Sterling land trust and OSIC for the construction of two small foot bridges span/crossing the Wekepeke Brook to provide access land owned by the Town of Sterling and Sterling Land Trust. The proposed bridge will not fill in any bordering vegetated wetlands and will be pinned down on both sides without needing any foundational work at map and Parcel 31-9

Peder Pederson appeared to represent the applicant. Mr. Mosley inquired as to the techniques used



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for the placement. Mr. Michalak inquired about the accounting of placement and pinning down for flooding situations. Mr Marro informed the commission he has been in contact with Tom Christopher who is going to meeting with Peder Pederson concerning construction technique. Mr. Mosley moved for a negative determination Mr. Pavlowich seconded and the commission voted unanimously to approve the motion.

DOCUMENTS PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION WAS A WPA FORM 1 AND A PLAN ENTITLED "SEPTIC SYSTEM REPAIR AT 18 LAKESORE DRIVE BY MCCARTY ENGINEERING" DATED JANUARY 2, 2019 AT A 20 SCALE

7:50 PM : In accordance with MGL ch 131 s 40 as amended, there will be a Public Meeting on a Request for a determination of applicability a request for a determination by Babbitt Filiere Realty Trust for the repair of a subsurface sewage disposal system within the buffer zone at 18 Lake Shore Drive

Justin from McCarty Engineering appeared and represented the applicant. He relayed the information of the history of the septic design. He noted that the proposed septic is a presby system. He noted the existing system including the leaching field is within 100 feet of the lake. What is proposed is the existing tank is going to be demolished per title V and local by law. The only work proposed within the 100 is the new tank and 20 feet of pipe. The new tank will go within the same general area of the old tank. He noted a limiting factor of the location of the lot was the fact the lot is only 50 feet wide the entire length. The use of the presby takes it out of the buffer zone. Mr. Marro noted that the wells on the abutting property noted on the plans were abandoned . He reviewed the plan with DEP and they had no issue. The existing well on the property was hundreds of feet deep. Mr. Michalak and Mr. Mosley examined grading. Mr. Michalak made a motion to issue a negative determination (#3) for the repair of the sewage system based on plans dated 1/2/19. Mr. Pavlowich seconded and the commission voted unanimously.

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