



Town of Sterling

Conservation Commission

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In Attendance: Chair Roberti, Mr. Michalak, Mr. Curtin, Mr. Pavlowich, Ms. Valeninte

MINUTES

STERLING CONSERVATION COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING- August 1, 2017

BUTTERICK MUNICIPAL BUILDING- ROOM 207 7:30 PM

1 PARK STREET ROOM 207

1. Meeting Notices and communications.
2. Minutes from the previous meeting
3. New Business
 - 3.1 aeration techniques for lake treatment
4. Old Business
 - 4.1 Follow up on all warrant articles from town meeting – Josh Basiner came in to discuss his eagle scout project with the commission. It involves a butterfly habitat at the Waushacum Meadow Loop trail park . He outlined the work involved.
 - 4.2 discussion of warrant articles submitted
 - 4.3 Hardscrabble Road – update – MM updated the Commission that Chuck Caron has been officially paid and that he is working on a bid spec due anytime for the Hardscrabble property.
 - 4.4 signatures on approved documents
5. Enforcement – 140 Pratts Junction- update - MM noted that the owner to date has complied and was pleasantly surprised how well the work was done.
6. Certificate of Compliance – 1 otters way
7. Agents report to the Commission:
 - 7.1 Update on storm water regulations (Federal). MM narrated to the commission that the new regulations have been stayed by the court for another year as the court is combining a lawsuit by both Massachusetts and New Hampshire concerning the permit.

PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to MGL ch 131 s 40 as amended there will be a public meeting on a request for a determination by Charles Lowe for the placement of a food stand and wood chipping within the buffer zone at 62 Chocksett Road, The hearing will be held in the Butterick Municipal Building 1 Park Street Room 207 at 7:45 PM on Tuesday August 2, 2017. The public is invited to attend. Anyone wishing to view plans may call the commission office Monday through Friday from 8 to 4 PM for an appointment or they mail email for a PDF copy at mmarro@sterling-ma.gov.

Documents presented for consideration was one Request for a Determination form and sketch by the applicnat

Mellissa and Charles Lowe came to represent themselves. The wish to maintain the temporary trailer and continue to wood chipping the property. The Chair requested that no further vegetation removal be done. The Lowe's requested to obtain permission to allow for handicapped access by the addition of a stone area and a stone path leading to the window. The commission recommended a negative determination with the conditions that there be no further removal of vegetation and that the owners come back to the commission when they remove and refresh the mulch by a motion of Mr. Curtin and a second by Mr. Michalak with a unanimous vote to approve.



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The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM

All documents cited in the meeting are available at the conservation commission office.

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