

TOWN OF LEE

32 MAIN STREET

PUBLIC MEETING

**POSTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF M.G.L. CHAPTER 39
SECTION 23B - AMENDED.**

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

PLACE OF MEETING: Judge's Chambers, Monday, Town Hall

DAY, DATE & TIME: Monday, May 7, 2012

Members Present: Kathy Arment, Chair, Stu Dalheim, John Philpott, John Coty, Jr. and Marilyn Hansen

6:45 Bill McClaughlin, regarding a lift to be installed at 11 Chanterwood with Tom Farley also present

The applicants, who are both in their nineties, are requesting a lift from the parking lot to the back side of the cottage which is approximately a 130 foot climb. Mr. McClaughlin presented brochures showing what the hillside elevator looks like. The residential size of the lift is limited to 15 square feet of surface area and has to meet elevator code guidelines. The end of the track to the water is forty feet. The Commission is requesting pictures prior and at the completion of the work. Erosion control measures (straw wattles) will also be in place.

7:00 Continued Notice of Intent, Paul Scarpa Berkshire Gas Company, on Willow Street and Pleasant Street for the proposed buried and bridge mounted gas main installation and related work.

NHESP comments were received with a non-determination on both aspects. DEP did not issue any comments. A question was raised as to whether those on the opposite side of the gas line would also have access to the lines and whether the lines would be run the same way. Mr. Scarpa confirmed those people would have access and there would not be a separate main run on the south side. He also confirmed that the line would be run as the one shown on the plans. The main is going to be approximately 36 inches from the finished grade to the top of the pipe. The plans clearly indicate where the estimated habitat, buffer zones and resource areas are. Pictures taken during the beginning of construction are being requested for educational purposes. The applicant will notify the Commission when they are ready to start. The signs will be placed in the beginning and end of the project.

Ms. Arment motioned to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Philpott. All in favor.

7:15 Request for Determination of Applicability, Harold Sherman, 505 Laurel, for the plugging of the #1 subsurface drain terminus and re-route the flow by plugging it into the #2 drain

The drain is currently washing under and out the wall. Mr. Sherman showed on the diagram just where the drainage occurs and how it will be rerouted. The work will be done by hand shoveling. The velocity of the outflow will be doubled and will be directed into the soil. The stone wall will also provide a level of protection. He projects the project to be done in a day or two.

Ms. Arment motioned to make it a Negative Determination #3 with the condition that where the water is flowing out it shall be dug deeper with additional riprap, seconded by Mr. Philpott, all in favor.

Other Business:

- **Approval of April 17 Minutes**

Ms. Arment motioned to approved, seconded by Mr. Coty, all in favor

- **Dennis Kelly to address the Commission on the scope of the work regarding the Tamarack Trench System. – No Show**

- **John Coty to review his inspection of erosion control measures at 240 Housatonic**

At the request of the applicant, Mr. Coty went down to the site to check the erosion control measures. There was some old debris left from the old garage which Mr. Coty asked be cleared. Other than that, everything appeared to be in order.

- **Roger Scheurer to address the Commission on the sealing of the driveway over the dam.**

The sealing of the driveway presents two questions. One is the ongoing maintenance and the other being the courtesy that the Commission be notified prior to any additional maintenance being done. Mr. Scheurer explained that they are aware that there are things that trigger a notification but for existing structures like the dam, they are further aware that some road maintenance can be conducted as long as they are not within 100 feet of the water. Crack sealing he feels does not require any notification but agreed to notify the Commission prior to any work being done in the future.

Building Permit Write Off:

Mrs. B. Lahey
Greylock Street
Lee Middle and High School
Drainage of school tennis courts

Matthew Maturevich for Joseph Abderhalden Jr.
193 Washington Mountain Road
Construction of deck on rear of house

Office Duty:

May 14 – JC

May 28 - AL

Jun 11 – KO

Jun 25 – SD

Ms. Arment motioned to close the meeting, seconded by Mr. Philpott, all in favor. Meeting closed 7:42

Respectfully submitted,

Martie Martin