

TOWN OF LEE

32 MAIN STREET

PUBLIC MEETING

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SECTION 23B - AMENDED.**

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

PLACE OF MEETING: Judge's Chambers, Town Hall

DAY, DATE & TIME: Monday, June 4, 2012

**Member Present: Kathy Arment, Chair, John Philpott, Stu Dalheim, John Coty, Anne
Langlais, Associate: Ryan Ellsworth**

7:00 Request for Determination, Berkshire Gas Company, Matthew Cyrulik, Stockbridge Road, for the installation of a 2" plastic gas main in the Town of Lee's public right of way north of Stockbridge Road Willow Brook bridge.

Matt Cyrulik noted a correction that there are two buried lines (verified by Verizon) on the north side therefore he supplied another drawing showing the update. The proposal is now on the south side. This starts at Fairview Street, proceeding over the crossing at the intersection up to George Street. The grade is steep at the brook and they will attempt to put a silt fence behind the guard rail if possible. If one cannot be installed, it will then be placed against the guardrail. The old pipes will not be removed because each of the three intersections has buried regulators that reduce the pressures into the other neighborhoods and these do not meet the standards of the Department of Public Utilities. Noting the removal of these pipes would be costly, the alternative is to replace them. With each one they are going to run a new line with the pressure reduced to forty pounds. The old line feeds the regulator at Fairview Street and will not be retired. The underground station at George Street does not meet requirements anymore and will be bypassed and retired. It will be decommissioned meaning the parts will be removed, filled with sand and removal of the tops. Prior to work being started, the Commission is to be notified in order for the erosion control measures to be checked.

Ms. Arment motioned for a Negative Determination #3, conditions to include before and after pictures, proper silt fencing to protect the brook and notification of Commission prior to work being done, seconded by Ms. Langlais, all in favor.

7:15 Notice of Intent, 425 Tyringham Road, Gerald Drake, installation of a new driveway

Jason Krzanowski presenting. Mr. Drake originally filed this notice back in November which sparked a number of questions including procedure. Mr. Krzanowski is here to represent Mr. Drake to address these concerns. He provided supplemental information in response to DEP and NHESP original comments. DEP comments were to wait for NHESP response and to provide a more detailed river front analysis. Abutter notices have been reissued. A check for \$122.50 was submitted however, the amount was short of the \$165 required and the balance was paid. As stated in the NOI, the MESA checklist must be adhered to requesting photographs, maps, limits of work, definition of all the resource areas on the property and an explanation of what the site is going to look like when completed. In the previous filing the Commission has on record, Mr. Drake had physically taken measurements with a measuring tape from the river line over to his property. Mr. Krzanowski used the line previously reviewed and approved by the Commission which is superseding and displayed on the overlay on the map. His narrative also includes a summary of the impacts looking between the gravel and the disturbed area of the river front. What he is proposing will now move this project out of the river front area. Once the NHESP comments are submitted the Commission will be able to act.

A motion to continue to June 18th @ 7:15 made by Ms. Arment, seconded by Mr. Dalheim, all in favor.

Other Business:

- **Approval of May 21 Minutes** – Motion to accept the minutes made by Ms. Arment, seconded by Mr. Dalheim, all in favor.
- Ms. Arment noted that the work on the beach road has been completed which was the ongoing maintenance, filling in ruts, etc. Mr. Nason informed her that Selectman Gordon Bailey is in conversation with the Scheurer family regarding an NOI that is being put together for work starting in the fall. Ms. Arment advised Mr. Nason that as long as it is in an area where the flow is high, this is a non-issue. Mr. Stinson verified this information.
- Mr. Nason received a call from a woman questioning the legality of siphoning of water out of the river. Ms. Arment stated that as long as the siphoning is being done where the level of the water is high, this is a non-issue. Mr. Stinson verified this.
- Mr. Iselin, who has property on Church Street, is overseeing maintenance work at Longscope Park. He wants the Commission to pay for the gravel to be placed around the entrance to the park. Ms. Arment advised him to contact Mr. Nason to see if the Town or any contractors have any left-over gravel that could be used. The sign to the park is deteriorating and Mr. Iselin is also requesting the Commission to provide funding for its replacement. He contacted Mr. Nason who then asked the Commission if this would be possible. Ms. Arment said this did not fall under wetland jurisdiction.
- MACC membership is to be renewed.

Ms. Arment motioned to close the meeting, seconded by Mr. Dalheim seconded, all in favor.
Meeting closed 7:37

Office Duty:

Jun 11 – AL

Jun 25 – KO

Jul 9 – SD

Jul 23- MH

Jul 30 - JP

Ms. Arment motioned to close, seconded by Mr. Philpott, all in favor. Meeting closed 7:40

**Respectfully submitted,
Martie Martin**