

Minutes

Lee Conservation Commission

Land Use Room Lee Town Hall 32 Main Street

Wednesday May 20, 2015 7 PM

Commissioners Present: Kathy Arment, Chair; John Philpott; James Wickham; Stu Dalheim; Marilyn Hansen

Commissioners Absent: John Coty

Members of the public present: Brian Fuster; Steve Schimpll; Mary Lee Johansen, Lee Land Trust; Benjamin Naylor, Berkshire Engineering

Meeting opened at 7:00 pm.

➤ **Lee Land Trust Request to install a boardwalk in Longcope Park**

Ms. Johansen explained that a bridge was wanted to cross the stream so that the area is handicap accessible. As it is now, one has to walk through the stream. Mr. Schimpll stated that he has investigated the area. He has done stream crossings at other places in the state and showed pictures of these. He would put down two horizontal logs—the logs would come from trees already down or cut ones on the property—with wooden planking. This planking is a composite. He will find out exactly what it is composed of. The ends would be 6 feet from the bank on both sides. It is not known if the stream is perennial or not. It will be a service project for the Boy Scouts; in this case, a potential Eagle Scout project. There are three issues: the type of wood/composite of the planking, the designation of the stream as perennial or intermittent, and a site inspection. A Notice of Intent may be needed. The Commission needs the Eagle Scout's name and email address. He can email the Commission with any questions. This will be on the agenda at 7:00 PM on June 3, 2015.

➤ **Notice of Intent 1565 Pleasant Street Restoration of riverfront area**

Mr. Naylor of Berkshire Engineering presenting. They have a proposal to replace the trees and shrubs that were cut down. The disturbed area will be left to return naturally. All the trees and shrubs planted will be native to the area (see plan). The rock wall to be built is a part of this application. The application has been sent to DEP and NHESP; until the Commission receives their comments they cannot act on it. Mr. Fuster was present at the meeting as a concerned citizen; his concerns were that the trees and shrubs would be perennial, native to the area and would hold the soil; he had no problem with the plans as presented. This hearing will be continued to 7:30 PM on June 3, 2015.

➤ **Notice of Intent 210 Stockbridge Road Expansion of garage, porch and deck.**

The Commission voted on this the last meeting; however, the DEP comments had not been received so there needs to be a revote after considering the comments.

Motion made and seconded to approve the Notice of Intent with the following conditions: the resource area is to be protected; there are to be no excavated materials left in the

jurisdictional area; the erosion controls are to be inspected; before and after photos are to be taken Unanimous approval

➤ **Request for a Certificate of Compliance 485 Laurel Street**

Mr. Philpott did a site visit and he is satisfied with the project

Motion made and seconded to issue a Certificate of Compliance Unanimous approval

➤ **Certificate of Compliance for**

➤ **Approval of the minutes of the May 6, 2015 meeting. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes of the May 6, 2015 meeting. Unanimous approval**

➤ **Other business**

Mr. Nason was told that the Commission had set a deadline of May 1, 2015 for Mr. Touponce to remove the rocks from his property on Meadow Street. The Commission did not set a deadline but did ask for them to be removed in the spring.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM. Unanimous approval

Respectfully submitted:

Kathleen Vsetecka