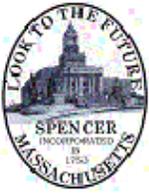


Conservation Commission – Town of Spencer

Minutes



Conservation Commission Meeting
Wednesday, August 26, 2015 at 7:00 PM
Town Hall, McCourt Social Hall

The Meeting was opened at 7 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Margaret Emerson, Dana Reed, Warren Snow, John Haverty, James Bouley

Commissioners Absent: Mary McLaughlin

Staff present: Margaret Washburn

Minutes: August 12, 2015 – tabled to September 9, 2015

7:15 p.m. Opened the Continuation of the Public Hearing for Notice of Intent for Town of Spencer, Utilities & Facilities

Property: 3 Lakeview Drive, Sugden Dam, Spencer, MA DEP#293-0849

At the request of the applicant, the hearing has been continued to September 23, 2015.

7:16 p.m. Opened the Continuation of the Public Hearing for Notice of Intent for Town of Spencer, Highway Department

Property: 127 Ash Street, Spencer, MA DEP#293-0851

At the request of the applicant, the hearing has been continued to September 23, 2015.

7:17 p.m. Opened the Continuation of the Public Hearing for Notice of Intent for Spencer Housing Authority

Property: 13 McDonald Street, Howe Village, Spencer, MA DEP#293-0861

Mr. John Rockwood, from EcoTec, said that the extra wetlands were flagged this week.

At the request of the applicant, the hearing has been continued to September 9, 2015.

7:18 p.m. Opened the Public Meeting for Request for Determination of Applicability for David Simonis

Property: 59 Donnelly Road, Spencer, MA

Mr. Simonis said he wants to construct a pole barn. Ms. Emerson read the site inspection report. Mr. Simonis drew on the site sketch the proposed location where he wants to spread the soil generated by excavating the barn's foundation. He dated and initialed the plan as well. Ms. Washburn said she believes the wetlands are closer than 92' as shown on the site sketch.

A motion to issue a Negative Determination (Snow/Haverty) passed 5/0.

7:26 p.m. Opened the Public Meeting for Request for Determination of Applicability for Morrison Building & Remodeling

Property: 55 Lakeshore Drive, Spencer, MA

Mr. John Rockwood, from EcoTec, presented the plan. He said an Emergency Certification (which expires on Friday) had been issued for this project by Ms. Washburn for the foundation repair. Mr. Rockwood said the foundation has been poured and water proofed. Sediment controls are on both sides of the house. Two rows of blocks and backfill will be brought in. The equipment is being kept across the street.

A motion to issue a Negative Determination (Haverty/Reed) passed 5/0.

7:33 p.m. Opened the Continuation of Public Meeting for Request for Determination of Applicability for Janet Meryweather

Property: 6 Stiles Avenue, Spencer, MA

Mr. Richard Gobi submitted revised plans showing the compensatory flood storage. The septic system is now smaller. The system is 36' from the lake. The conditions are as follows:

- The compensatory flood storage must be created then inspected by the Conservation Commission or its agent prior to commencing the septic repair

A motion to issue a Negative Determination with conditions as stated (Reed/Haverty) passed 5/0.

Other Business:

Wetland Protection Act Brochures: The Commission agreed that having these brochures available for the public is good idea. *A motion to buy 1,000 brochures (Snow/Bouley) passed 5/0.*

Boy Scout sign: Ms. Emerson said she went to look at the sign and she takes the sign to mean no access at all for any reason. She said a sign needs to be put up that states when people can have access and put a boat in. Ms. Washburn will check with the Assessor's Office to find out who owns the land between Browning Pond Road and Browning Pond.

New Applications: 43 Lakeshore Drive, RDA

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m. (Reed/Haverty) passed 5/0.

Respectfully submitted by:

Lisa Daoust, Senior Clerk
Development & Inspectional Services

Documents reviewed at the 8/26/15 Spencer Conservation Commission meeting:

Agenda for the 8/26/15 meeting
Margaret's report dated 8/26/15
Continuance form for 3 Lakeview Drive (signed)
Continuance form for 127 Ash Street (signed)
Continuance form for 13 McDonald Street (signed)
RDA file for 6 Stiles Avenue, including Negative Determination (signed)
RDA file for 59 Donnelly Road, including Negative Determination (signed)
RDA file for 55 Lakeshore Drive, including Negative Determination (signed)
MACC sample pamphlet for the public regarding the MA Wetlands Protection Act