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Damon Tinio, Vice Chairman*



*Michael Ammendolia
William Aten
Peter Coffin*

TOWN OF MENDON

Conservation Commission
Mendon Town Hall
20 Main Street
Mendon, Massachusetts 01756

Meeting Minutes of November 9, 2006

Attending: T. Aicardi, D. Tinio, M. Ammendolia, P. Coffin, and W. Aten

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

7:30 p.m. Member reviewed the site plan for Copart, Inc. They had the following comments/questions:

- Plans need to show where water is located near the property.
- How much disturbance will there be?
- Where is the runoff?
- Where will disposal of demolished material be? There could be environmental issues.

8:00 p.m. Members discussed and signed the following Requests for Determination which were signed by individual members between October 20 and November 9, 2006. They all had no wetland impact.

- 31 Edward Road-24' X 24' garage
- 31 Washington St.-40' X 80' barn and 132' X 65' indoor arena
- 5 & 7 Resthaven Road- single family homes

Members discussed Request for Determination for 1 Calumet Circle. The applicant wants to build a 35' X 50' garage. However, there is an expired Order of Conditions and no Certificate of Compliance. D. Willoughby informed the applicant that she must request a Certificate of Compliance and provide an as-built, engineering plan. D. Willoughby noted that there is also no Certificate of Compliance for 2 Calumet Circle either.

8:10 p.m. Members approved the Request for Determination of Applicability for 3A White Road to build a 12' X 24' addition to the garage. There was no wetland impact.

T. Aicardi will call Tom McLaughlin to discuss his RDA to bring fill into his backyard at 6 Warfield Road.

D. Tinio to do site visit at 68 Bates Street for a 24' X 26' addition.

8:25 Members reviewed the Request for an Extension for Order of Conditions at 21-23 Cape Road. They agreed that they would grant an extension; however, they requested the applicant submit new plans due to the difficulty in getting water to the site. They want to find out what the applicant's intentions are. Action: D. Willoughby to inform the applicant.

Members discussed concerns raised by residents over the past several weeks regarding the high water level of Lake Nipmuc. Members of the Commission have been out on the lake several times to remove debris that was clogging the outflow. The most recent site visit was this past weekend. They have discovered beavers caused this blockage. M. Ammendolia made and D. Tinio seconded a motion to approve removal of the beaver dam(s) contingent upon receiving funding. The motion carried unanimously. Action: M. Ammendolia requested that D. Willoughby send a memo to Lawney Tinio and copy the remainder of the Board of Selectmen and M. McCue to inform them of the vote taken and include names of people who have voiced concern recently. She is to also inform them that we have a permit from the Board of Health. D. Willoughby will also get the name of the trapper.

P. Coffin informed members about the Stormwater Management presentation he and D. Willoughby attended that was hosted by the Highway Department and Blackstone River Coalition. Peter noted that Spring Brook, Muddy Brook and

Hop Brook were designated as coldwater fisheries. The first inch of stormwater needs to be treated for coldwater fisheries.

P. Coffin made and M. Ammendolia seconded a motion to accept the Conservation Commission meeting minutes of October 19, 2006. The motion carried unanimously.

Members reviewed a letter from Susan McArthur who is a wetland scientist. She requested her company be added to our list of wetland delineation firms that we supply to applicants. Action: D. Willoughby will invite her to our next meeting and find out how much she charges.

D. Willoughby informed members that a relative of an abutter to 50 Milford Street inquired into activity on that property. She was concerned that Mr. Sweet is damming up the area near Old Post Road. P. Coffin had reviewed the NRCS Conservation Plan. There was no timeline, sequence of events or direction to stabilize soil. Action: Members asked that D. Willoughby call the NRCS and find out if they can visit the site and see if work is proceeding properly. Diane will also call Kathy Robertson, DEP Circuit Rider, to see if bog is now considered wetland and in our jurisdiction.

Members agreed to schedule Conservation Commission meetings on Thursday, January 4 and 15, 2006. An additional meeting can be schedule if necessary.

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Willoughby
Administrative Clerk