

*Damon Tinio, Chairman
Peter Coffin, Vice Chairman*



*Timothy Aicardi
Michael Ammendolia
William Aten*

TOWN OF MENDON

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

Meeting Minutes of July 23, 2009

Attending: P. Coffin, T. Aicardi, M. Ammendolia and W. Aten,; Robert Sweet, 50 Milford Street; J. Lowell, 40 Millville St; Joe Montecalvo, Themeli Builders; Scott Lanzetta, Lanzetta Excavating; S. Smith, 188 Providence Rd.; Joyce Gilmore, 23 Hastings St.

P. Coffin called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m. when a quorum was reached.

R. Sweet asked if he could audio record the meeting. There were no objections.

Members reviewed Requests for Determination of Applicability (RDA) for which D. Tinio performed site visits. Applicant for 159 Hartford Ave. E. would like to construct deck & handicap ramp. D. Tinio determined there would be no wetland impact. Members signed negative determination. Owner of 143 Blackstone Street would like to replace his existing porch w/larger (26' X 8') porch. M. Ammendolia also performed site visit and both determined there would be no wetland impact. Members signed negative determination. Owner of 9 Metcalf Rd. would like to remove old deck (14' X 22') and construction larger (18' X approx. 30') deck. D. Tinio determined there would be no wetland impact. Members signed negative determination. Owner of 10 Pine Needle Drive would like to construct 20' X 16' deck to replace deck removed. No one has had a chance to do site visit yet. *Action: D. Willoughby will check with D. Tinio to whom the RDA was e-mailed.*

T. Aicardi made and M. Ammendolia seconded a motion to accept the Meeting Minutes of July 9, 2009. The motion carried unanimously.

W. Aten has not received a letter from the Town regarding his appointment to Community Preservation as the Con. Com. representative and thus, has not been sworn in.

None of the Con. Com. members have had a chance to get ID's from Police Department to be used when conducting site visits. *Action: M. Ammendolia directed D. Willoughby to send a letter to Chief Horn asking to send us D. Kurczy's schedule so members can stop by to get ID's made.*

7:45 p.m. P. Coffin gave overview of occurrence of events of Phase I & II of Imperial site conditions and catch basin/discharge locations. Peter voiced his concern that there is an issue regarding capacity of pipe and drainage. There is not enough Stormwater management. M.

Ammendolia feels Themeli and Lanzetta are both responsible for drainage problems. P. Coffin reviewed Stormwater Management plan. It needs to be followed as written. Wetlands cannot be used as a settling basin. S. Lanzetta informed board that 90 percent of 'lot 1' is paved. P. Coffin said he called P. Nadeau, DEP, July 22 to inform him of siltation problem. Peter would be surprised if fines are not getting through. Peter reiterated that there is still no plan to control silt as the Enforcement Order directed which was to be delivered by May 23. P. Nadeau suggested to not direct a stop work order. He did suggest that the Conservation Commission could demand a Notice of Intent be filed or polymers, such as crystals or a flock log, be used to capture fine silts. The Stormwater Management report submitted to Con. Com. indicates there will be site inspection reports. P. Coffin said Themeli Builders should be submitting those. J. Montecalvo said he has not been documenting amount of sediment that is leaving the site per the Stormwater Management Plan. Catch basins were cleaned in April. S. Smith pointed out that one of the January 2008 Stormwater standards (BMP) was a maintenance log be kept and checked by the DEP. R. Poxon did not feel this was a standard. *Action: M. Ammendolia asked S. Smith to confirm and if she found it to be true to let Con. Com. know.* R. Poxon was under the impression that 'we are all set' according S. Lanzetta in regard to enforcement order directives.

T. Aicardi informed members that D. Tinio was in contact with Brandon Faneuf, wetland scientist, and he wants to know if he should wait until job is done to work on analysis. Brandon and Damon were not able to find a mutually convenient day to meet.

R. Poxon explained curbing will keep water on site. His only concern is that catch basins are empty. *Action: P. Coffin and M. Ammendolia will perform site visit tomorrow morning to see if silt left the site during the pending rain storm.* R. Poxon said he has permission to on Mr. Quirk's property and would be able to install the flock log if necessary.

J. Gilmore said the fact that cat-tails are visible on 49 Milford Street property, indicates there is a wetland. She believes the owner has filled it in. M. Ammendolia made and T. Aicardi seconded a motion to send Oak Tree Supply a stop-work order where wetland is located. The motion carried unanimously. *Action: D. Willoughby is to let owner know he is in violation of the Wetland Protection Act. He needs to come in to the August 13 meeting and file a Notice of Intent. He is to be reminded he has not responded to letter he received. The DEP shall be copied.* Members cannot find any plans of the area. *Action: D. Willoughby to research the Tennessee gas pipeline that was upgraded 10 to 14 years ago. It may show Oak Tree Supply area.* R. Sweet informed members that Mr. Shane, previous owner, hired Tetreault Excavating to install perimeter drain on property.

S. Smith suggested she could write an article in the Town Crier reminding residents that there are wetland regulations to follow. R. Sweet asked what a homeowner's rights are if someone's catch basin is dumping water on the homeowner's property. J. Gilmore replied that it would involve a civil suit by the property owner.

Members reviewed the BOS Routing Slips for a New Common Victualler's License for Blackstone Valley Farmer's Market, 95 Uxbridge Rd, relocation of Deluxe pizza on Hastings St. and new Kennel License on 97 Millville Road. There were no wetland issues on any of the properties. P. Coffin signed.

Members agreed to keep both August meetings and assess need for August 27 meeting at August 13 meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Willoughby
Administrative Clerk